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HAD A GIG IN TOWN. Local musicians Jeff Lyman, left, and Mike MacIver, right, performed at Rocco's Restaurant last Saturday night. The two played songs from Lyman's new CD, "Brighter Day." (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Maple Meadow Landfill

Clash persists over imported soils

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - The Town of Wilmington and Massachusetts Environmental Associates (MEA) continue to joust over the importation of soil to the Maple Meadow Landfill (MML).

In January, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) instructed MEA, which represents the Spinazzola family, the owners of the property, to cease any further importation of soils to the South Wilmington landfill. And exception was made for vegetative layer material, pending an audit of MEA's documentation relating to the 41,000 tons of "intermediate cover" and "vegetation support material" that MEA President Patrick Hannon claims to have accepted since August of 2003. In mid-February, MEA instructed DEP that it will discontinue the importation of soils of any kind until the evaluation has been complete.

The town has alleged that the types and amounts of soil being brought to the MML are not simply vegetative support material. Furthermore, the town maintains that the amount of soil brought into the area violates a recently enacted Town Bylaw.

"The Town believes there is strong evidence that MEA is not complying with the directives of your department," Town Manager Michael Caira stated in a letter to Philip Weinberg, the Associate Commissioner of the DEP.

Caira's letter stated that DEP representative Steven Lipman and Wilmington Assistant Planning and Conservation Director Robert Douglas visited the property and observed that "the soils being imported were not vegetative layer materials, but were, in fact, contaminated shaping and grading materials."

Added Caira, "The Town is dismayed that despite the DEP's restrictions, MEA appears to have stepped up its hauling of materials and has not complied with DEP's requirements as to the quality of materials that can be received at the MML."

The letter makes claims of photographs taken during Lipman's and Douglas's visit that show large piles of concrete rubble, boulders, wooden pilings, bricks and construction debris, along with large quantities of 6 mil plastic sheeting scraps.

Barry Fogel, of Keegan, Werlin & Pabian, LLP, the legal counsel for MEA, wrote a scathing letter in response, refuting the town's allegations and admonishing the tone of

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Board postpones vote on counsel funds

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - The Board of Selectmen has postponed its vote on the recommendation made by Town Manager Michael Caira that approximately $200,000 be appropriated in the 2005 budget for expenses to related to services provided by Town Counsel Paul DeRensis.

The postponement, which makes the second consecutive meeting during which the issue was tabled, occurred because all selectmen were not present during the board's meeting on Monday, February 23. Selectman Robert Palmer was not able to attend the meeting.

During a selectmen meeting in late January, Caira proposed a legal budget of $200,000 for the services of Town Counsel in Fiscal Year 2005, in order to accommodate the newly renegotiated contract between the town and the law firm of Deutsch, Williams, Brooks, DeRensis & Holland. The figure marked an increase from the $132,800 that Wilmington usually appropriates each year for legal services.

In the time since the new contract was signed, some have criticized the board for creating a new budget that would likely cost the town much more money in legal services. Given that, Selectmen Chairman Michael McCoy accused Caira of making a political statement with the increased budget, which McCoy claimed to be extravagant.

The selectmen again discussed the issue during their meeting on February 8, but tabled the matter, in order to strategize with Town Counsel and to review January's bill for

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Selectmen candidates will debate on March 29

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - Wilmington Community Television (WCTV) will sponsor a debate between candidates for the Wilmington Board of Selectmen on Monday, March 29. The event, which will last approximately 90 minutes, will begin at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium at 121 Glen Road.

"I'm looking forward to it," says WCTV Executive Director Donna Gacek, who began planning for the occasion last week. "This will be a great opportunity for residents to hear from the candidates and learn who they are."

Town Moderator James Stewart has agreed to once again guide the candidates and panelists through the series of questions and answers to unfold.

The format of the event will be similar to the debates of years past. Candidates will likely be afforded opening statements. From there, they will be asked questions on the issues of the day from a panelist of local journalists that will include Shawn Sullivan, the editor of the Town Crier, Vanessa Hughes, the reporter for the Lowell Sun, and possibly Mark Nichols, the reporter for the Advocate. After an hour of questioning, the candidates will likely be granted an opportunity to make a closing statement.

Gacek and the panelists will meet in the weeks between now and the debate to determine the questions and establish particulars.

At press time, six candidates have thrown their hats in the ring in bids for the two three-year seats on the Board of Selectmen that are available during this election: incumbent Selectwoman Suzanne Sullivan; Mark Nelson, a landscaper; Michael Newhouse, a former selectman and former town counsel; Karl Sagal, a member of the Board of Appeals; Dan Woodbury, a local activist; and Ann Yurek, a member of the Master Plan Committee.

The debate will be broadcasted live on Channel 22 and will air repeatedly in the weeks before the Annual Town Election on Saturday, April 17.

In other election news, two new candidates have surfaced to compete in other races.

Margaret Kane has taken out

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Sons of Italy donates funds for new school playground

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - Recess will soon become even more fun for the students at the North Intermediate School.

On Monday, February 23, the Wilmington Sons of Italy presented to the Board of Selectmen a check for $35,000 to be used for the construction of a state-of-the-art playground at the school.

"You're always being generous to this community, and we can't forget that," Selectmen Chairman Michael McCoy told Sons of Italy members Gerald Pupa, the organization's president, Bob Dicey, Michele Nortonen, Charlie DeStefano and Kevin Caira, who attended the presentation of the funds.

Town Manager Michael Caira has incorporated the gift into his proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2005.

According to Caira, construction for the playground can begin as soon as late spring and

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Cain dealership granted license

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - Auto dealer Fred Cain's quest for a license to sell used cars at his business at 580 Main Street concluded successfully on Monday night.

In a vote of 2 to 1, the Board of Selectmen approved a Class II Garage License for Fred F. Cain, Incorporated, which has sold cars in Wilmington for more than 60 years.

Selectmen Raymond Lepore and Frank West voted to approve the license. Chairman Michael McCoy recused himself from the proceedings, due to the controversial political history between him and Cain's

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CLARIFICATION. The ad below is a corrected version of the one that ran in this space last week. The listed proofs of residency, as noted, are accurate.

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If your child reaches age six (6) on or before August 31, 2004 he/she should register for First Grade at this time, if not already attending a Wilmington Public School Kindergarten program.

In accordance with School Committee policy, no child will be registered to enter first grade if he/she has not turned six (6) prior to August 31, 2004 even if they have completed a kindergarten program elsewhere.

The following items **must** be presented at the time of registration:

- Original birth certificate
- Proof of residency i.e., tax bill, utility receipt, rent receipt. (A driver's license or excise tax bill will not be accepted)

NOTE: Parents entering children in Kindergarten will also register at this time for the Early Childhood Kindergarten / Preschool screening. This screening will be conducted in late April, further information will be provided at the time of registration. Also, screening is available to three (3) and four (4) year olds whose parents believe that their child has a reasonable likelihood of having any disabilities. Parents of three (3) and four (4) year olds wishing to have their child screened may also register during the above dates at the Boutwell and Wildwood Early Childhood Centers.



BUCKS = DREAMS COME TRUE. Maureen Carr presented a check for more than $8,700 to Tom Convery the Make-a-Wish Foundation during the organization's annual fundraising dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall last Saturday night. The dance was held in the memory of Maureen's sister, Colleen O'Brien, who passed away when she was a child. Colleen was the first child in Massachusetts to have a dream come true, thanks to the efforts of the Make-a-Wish Foundation. After the check was presented, more donations flowed, bringing the night's final tally to a whopping $12,500.

(Maureen Lamoureux photo)



IN MEMORY OF A FRIEND. Justin O'Neil, 16, who passed away in Wilmington in early January, would have loved this event. On the night of Friday, February 20, a local band named The Dead Giveaways, which comprises of Wilmington High Schoolers Buck Collings, Dan Cwiekowski and Doug Tranghese, rocked the cellar of a local home and raised money for Justin's Memorial Scholarship Fund. The 40 people who attended were all encouraged to donate a buck or two; by the end of the night, $248 had been raised. When you do the math, you can see just how much young Justin is missed. (courtesy photo)

Tewksbury State Hospital proposes reforms

TEWKSBURY - Officials at Tewksbury State Hospital, in an effort to avoid insurance program cuts, proposed reforms after three investigations of the state-run facility found faults in how it treated patients.

A federal review released Tuesday revealed the hospital failed to formally respond to 17 of 44 patient complaints about their care in the second half of last year, and it lacked precautions to prevent the spread of infection.

The investigation found that the hospital allowed one patient with infected feet to walk around without slippers in the room he shared with three other patients. It also reported that nurses sometimes handled pills with bare hands and did not wash between caring for patients.

Tewksbury, which serves people with chronic mental or physical illness, has been under scrutiny since last summer, when a 69-year-old pneumonia patient was given the wrong medications and became so dehydrated that he slipped into a coma and died.

The hospital issued a 113-page response to the investigations to persuade the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services not to follow through on a threat to expel the hospital from insurance programs for the poor, disabled and elderly. The agency expects to announce this week whether the plan is enough to avoid expulsion from the Medicare and Medicaid programs, which would be expected to pay $24.5 million to the state for the care of Tewksbury patients this year.

"The hospital management takes very seriously the changes that need to take place," Paul Cote, who became the hospital's chief administrative officer last month, told The Boston Globe. "They are becoming a better hospital, and not arguing or denying or discussing that we have challenges in front of us."

Recently, hospital chief executive Raymond D. Sanzone resigned, and four other medical staff members have been referred to the hospital's hiring committee for possible discipline.

Hospital officials promised to track patients' conditions closely to prevent the situation that occurred for John Lydon, the pneumonia patient. They also said medical staff members have been instructed to discuss any patient care problems.

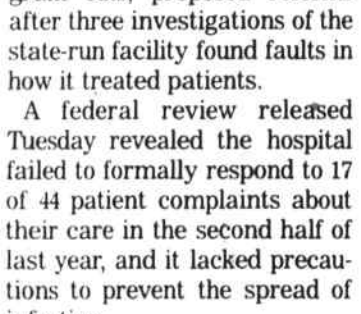
Cote said Governor Mitt Romney's administration already has allocated $232,000 for physical repairs at the hospital.

He said the hospital also would need larger staff, but administrators have not yet estimated the cost.

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It's Your Money

by Joyce Brisbois



WHAT FILING STATUS IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

For most married couples, filing jointly makes sense. Most singles have no choice. But their are options, and times when a change would be more appropriate.

If a single person provides a home for a dependent, a child or other relative– or just paid most of the cost of providing that household – he or she may qualify for head-of-household status, which offers lower tax rates. That dependent can even live in his own home or a nursing home, as long as the head-of-household pays.

Some married couples will file separately where it is advantageous to do so: if one spouse faces potential tax liabilities which the other spouse does not; or if one spouse has higher income and a lower-income spouse has medical or tax-loss deductions that would be lost with a higher adjusted gross income.

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Ryan School to celebrate Dr. Seuss's 100th birthday

What would the Cat in the Hat think of that?

TEWKSBURY - On Tuesday evening, March 2, the Tewksbury elementary school librarians, Jamie Foss and Mary Eldringhoff, the Ryan School Student Council and the children's room staff of the Tewksbury Public Library, Noelle Couture and Karen Grasso, will join forces.

Why? To celebrate the Seussentennial, Dr. Seuss' one hundredth birthday, with the children of Tewksbury.

This event is held in conjunction with celebrations all across the country as the National Education Assoc-iation of public school teachers focuses its attention on the importance of reading to children through their program, Read Across America.

The Tewksbury contribution to the national festivities will be held in the cafeteria of the John F. Ryan School from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Highlights of the evening will include several Dr. Seuss read-alouds, games, the opportunity to create "foot" marks, and, of course, singing "Happy Birthday." The Cat in the Hat himself is planning to put in an appearance, so be sure to bring the family camera!

You'll find your head spinning. Why ladies and gentlemen, youngsters and oldsters, your heads will quite likely spin right off your shoulders! (If I Ran the Circus, 1965).

Welcome a Fresh Air child

The Fresh Air Fund needs more families to volunteer as hosts for the Friendly Town Program. There are no financial requirements, and the host family can choose the age and gender of their visitor; all that is needed is time and love. First-time visitors range in age from six to 12 and can be invited back through The Fund until age 18. Many families, however, keep in contact all year round and form lifelong bonds.

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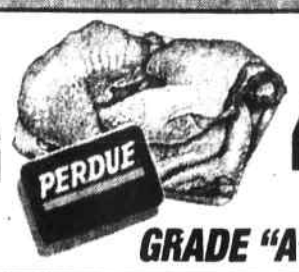
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From the Editor's Desk

By Shawn P. Sullivan

Twin Debates

Mark your calendar for Monday, March 29. That night's going to be a big one in both Tewksbury and Wilmington, for candidates for the Boards of Selectmen in both communities are going to have to face a little Q & A on the big issues of the day.

Taxes?

Contamination?

Education?

Development?

A certain little mall idea that's been floating around?

Nothing's off limits. In fact, here at the Town Crier, we're hoping that you, our readers, can help a bit with the "Q" part of the events. If you live in Tewksbury or Wilmington, go ahead and contact me, Shawn Sullivan, at the Town Crier with any particular queries that may be gnawing at you. Call me at 978-658-2346 or, preferably, articulate your question in an email and send it to shawn@yourtowncrier.com. In the subject heading, write "Wilmington Debate Question" or "Tewksbury Debate Question."

In Wilmington, the selectmen candidates will duke it out in the auditorium of the Town Hall at 121 Glen Road at 7 p.m. The event, which will be sponsored by Wilmington Community Television, will follow the format of successful debates in the past. Candidates will introduce themselves during opening statements, they'll answer questions for an hour, and then they'll wrap things up with closing thoughts. Residents are encouraged to attend the debate, but they can catch it at home too, on WCTV Channel 22.

In Tewksbury, the debate will unfold from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Town Hall at 1009 Main Street. For more information, you're encouraged to check out Kevin Anderson's detailed, entertaining write-up elsewhere on this page. Kevin's going to moderate this Town Crier-sponsored event, and it will not be boring.

Some may find these debates useful and informative but restricted to the same old topics. This is unavoidable, of course, because the problems surrounding taxes, water quality, affordable housing and what-have-you have been around forever and take a long time to solve. Also unavoidable, granted, are the variety of token responses and proposals that are offered by candidates year after year.

Although new and, perhaps, even quirky questions are welcome, the old ones still need to be asked. Here, though, is a twist that each voter can apply to them as a prism through which to gauge which candidates have potential and which ones are just plain full of it.

As candidates answer even the most routine questions, ask yourself:

Who among them truly seems to love Tewksbury or Wilmington?

Or, even better, ask this:

Of all the candidates, whose love for their town seems the purest, the least cluttered by politics, agendas, or personality traits that could prove destructive and overwhelm one's ability to lead fairly and effectively?

On its face, such a question may seem quaint to some, petty to many. It's an important one, though, for within its answer lie indications of character and relationships that, if harnessed to experience and common sense, will more effectively help both towns make progress on the issues or, better yet, solve them.



Standing Eight Count

by Stephen Bjork

What's that, you ask? If you are ever elected to a seat on the Wilmington Board of Selectmen, how could you foster positive relationships with local businesses?

Just follow these simple steps:

1. If a family-owned business has been in town for more than 60 years and has a proven track record of being a valued member of the business community and a responsible neighbor, it's best to just run it out of town.

2. If the President of that business has always been a valued member of the community and has devoted more than 50 years toward a fine community-minded organization such as the Rotary Club, make him beg for the opportunity to continue earning a living.

For those of you who do not attend the Board of Selectmen meetings, you don't know what you're missing.

I generally try to arrive at Town Hall at around noonish, you know; to join the tailgate parties. During the spring and summer, especially around the time of the whole dismissal of Town Counsel timeframe, the parking lot would be full before 1 p.m. and the grills would be blazing and the Budweiser would be flowing.

The heavenly fragrances of steaks and chicken would fill the warm air while pick-up games of football took place on the grass growing between the stadium (I mean Town Hall) and Glen Road. It wasn't uncommon to see members of the Board of Appeals engaged in spontaneous Freestyle Frisbee competitions and back then it seemed like nearly everyone was wearing a football jersey with the name of their favorite Selectman or Town Official sewn on the back.

Yeah. There was a lot of team spirit back then.

It just doesn't seem like the same sport lately, though. Take this last meeting of the selectmen, for instance. Our circular Town Hall appropriately bore a slight resemblance to a Roman Coliseum that night.

The entertainment for the evening held little in the way of fair competition and indeed offered spectators a visceral repulsion in a genuine throwing-Christians-to-the-lions type of scenario.

It was one of those situations in which your stomach becomes, and remains, lodged in your throat throughout the entire ordeal. You are rooting for the poor guy to make it over the wall and into the stands, but let's face it; when you were standing at the betting window your money went down on the lion.

On February 23, the Wilmington Board of Selectmen granted a Class II permit to Fred F. Cain, Inc. after an appalling 30-minute ordeal.

It should have taken no more than a minute, and if it wasn't for Selectperson Suzanne Sullivan's blatant disdain for Fred Cain, it would have.

As a bit of back-story: Cain has always operated his business with a Class I license, which authorizes new and used car sales.

In 1999, Cain was given a choice by Chrysler to either spend $5.1 million and move his dealership to Lowell or lose the franchise. He chose to remain in Wilmington and relinquished the franchise. Since that time they have continued to sell used cars.

This year the Board of Selectmen offered him only a three-month Class I license, pending the outcome of current negotiations for a new car franchise.

A Class II license authorizes the holder to sell used cars; a business venture that the Cain dealership has been involved in since 1941.

Selectman Robert Palmer was absent from the meeting and Selectman Michael McCoy recused himself from the hearing. He stated for the record that Town Counsel advised him that it was unnecessary, but he chose to anyway to avoid any sense of impropriety. You see, according to at least one of McCoy's letters to the editor, he "HATES" Fred Cain's brother Bob.

Selectman Raymond Lepore took the position of Chairman while McCoy stood in the back of the room and shot spit balls out of a straw at various members of the audience (that's not true - but it is what I would have done if I had the chance).

Cain had his paperwork in order.

All the abutters were notified of the public hearing and were given ample opportunity to speak out in opposition. None did.

The Building Inspector provided a favorable consideration.

Town Counsel provided a favorable opinion.

"There is no indication in the facts we have been provided that the applicant is not a proper person to engage in the business of buying and selling second hand motor vehicles," opined Attorney John Richard Hucksam, Jr.

Done deal, right?

Nope.

To start things off, Sullivan disagreed with counsel's legal opinion on the matter. She has been known to do that in the past. Legal opinions seem to be valid only when their conclusions suit her purpose.

"I still don't understand why Mr. Hucksam feels as though this is an existing non-conforming use, because they have operated under a Class I license for all these years," said Sullivan. "It was a conforming use, the man had a license."

Sullivan was not able to speak with Hucksam prior to the start of the meeting regarding his opinion because, although a request for opinion was made on February 5th, no opinion arrived at Town Hall until the very day of the hearing. We might want to work on that turnaround time.

Wilmington does have a bylaw which stipulates that used cars may only be sold as a secondary function of a primary business. For instance; Hyundai's primary business is to sell new cars, but it also sells used cars in a secondary capacity. Charlie's Auto Body's primary business is to repair and they sell used cars in a secondary capacity.

With the Cains having been in business since 1941, Wilmington's Building Inspector determined that the business was grandfathered from the current bylaws.

Naturally, Sullivan disagreed with the Building Inspector's determination.

"Yes, but they were selling used cars under a Class I license," Sullivan said.

It was becoming painfully obvious by this time that Sullivan was dead set against issuing the license, despite the expert opinions of Town Counsel and the Building Inspector. There was an underlying animosity that was evident and just barely kept in check. More than one observer began to wonder what sort of atrocity Fred Cain could have perpetrated against the Sullivan clan.

Cain has sold a portion of his property to be developed and Sullivan sensed an opportunity to change tactics and informed him that his remaining property would most likely be too small for a new car dealership in its new configuration, although she admitted that it might not be too small, and went on to accuse Cain of creating his own hardship.

"We own the property out back," Cain said. "If we have to knock the house down to meet another requirement, or something of that nature, fine." Cain said.

Sullivan was, quite frankly, being mean and vindictive and perhaps that was somewhat of a contributing factor to her inability to sway her fellow selectmen.

Lepore deserves some credit. After Sullivan's 20-minute repetitious diatribe, Lepore commended Cain on being a long-standing good neighbor to Wilmington and made it clear that he planned to vote in favor of granting the license.

Selectman Frank West also disagreed with Sullivan.

"I don't see any real problem with granting the license, personally," said West. "My only other question would be to Suzanne - Is there any strong objections that you have about granting the license? And if that is an unfair question, I apologize."

Translated; what West said was, "I'm going to take a stand on this, if you don't mind too much."

After all was said and done, the Cain family was allowed to continue working for a living in the same manner in which they have since Fred's father accepted two goats in trade toward a new automobile. That's a true story. According to Fred, they allowed the goats to graze, in the spot that Danvers Savings Bank now stands, until a suitable buyer was located. The goats apparently had very low miles.

Still . . . farm animals grazing along a main roadway . . . there must be a bylaw violation there somewhere.

Steve can be reached at stephenbjork@comcast.net.

Kevin Anderson

March 29 candidates' debate hopes to give residents a reason to vote

First, an announcement of a Town Crier-sponsored Candidates Night for all candidates that are running for the tewksbury Board of Selectmen. The date will be on Monday, March 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the Tewksbury Town Hall auditorium. The event will be televised live. The decision to replay the event has not yet been determined. A thank-you goes out to Town Manager David Cressman for the use of the auditorium.

I will moderate the event and the format will be a little unique.

First, each candidate will have the traditional one-minute opening and closing statements. The main portion of the event will be the Q & A session.

The Town Crier editorial staff will develop questions for all candidates to answer. The questions will be a format of current town issues like taxes, schools, planning, etc.

This will be followed by having the candidates ask one question each to one of the other candidates, who will be allowed to respond.

Here's the best part of the debate. The next set of questions will come from concerned citizens. I'm not talking about the local activist, but instead about people who really have a question they want answered from all of the candidates. The type of person we are looking for is someone who just wants to ask a straightforward question, looking for a straightforward answer from all candidates.

The Town Crier staff will predetermine which citizens and their questions will be allowed to participate in this event. If you have a question you want answered, and want to participate in the event, you should contact Shawn Sullivan at the Town Crier either, preferably, by email, shawn@yourtowncrier, or by calling Shawn @ 978-658-2346. This is a great opportunity for someone who always wanted to have his or her questions and concerns answered face to face.

It is great to see lots of candidates running for all of the elected positions. I know that some people think by having lots of candidates running it helps the incumbents, but I'm not so sure.

When you decide to turn in your nomination papers to run for office you really must feel like you have something different to say. I'm not talking about candidates that are running because they are mad at someone, but the real candidates who think the town should be doing something different than what is going on currently.

First-time candidates need to identify issues that are a concern to them, and then they need to describe how they will correct the problem in the future. They need to keep talking about their issues over and over again until people hear them. Incumbents have a certain advantage of fundraising and understanding the whole election process, but for a couple of thousand dollars, any candidate can quickly get on an even playing field in the fundraising department.

But new candidates need to show why they are different from the incumbents. If the new candidates don't show the differences between themselves and the incumbents, then they won't win.

After an election everyone talks about how only 18% to 20% of the eligible voters turned out to vote. Why? Because the candidates didn't give voters a reason to come out to vote! Candidates couldn't dig up any emotions or feelings to the issues. Candidates don't give residents a reason to come out and vote.

Incumbents have a record on which people should vote. Did the incumbents vote on an issue the way you wanted them to or not? That pretty much determines if they get your vote.

New candidates need to show why and how they will be different from the record presented by the incumbent. I think that this can be a huge advantage for a first time candidate. People like brave, new ideas.

Incumbents and non-incumbents need to be bold! State your point. If you think the roads are bad, come out and say you want to spend $1,000,000 to fix them and you are willing to cut funding in another department. If you think the school budget is too high, tell people where you are going to cut. Give voters a reason to vote for you or not, give them a reason to come out to vote.

I think everyone wins if a new candidate continues to make incumbents answer their concerns. Incumbents may be required to re-think their positions on the issues or perhaps lose the election.

Incumbents have a certain advantage because of knowing the financial position of the town. They can see a little bit further down the road. But they need to use that advantage by bringing solutions to the issues to the table and there is never a better time to do that than when you are running for re-election. Challengers need to force them to bring their solutions to the table.

There have been many great people who have decided to run, lose the election, and then walk away from the process forever. If this is going to be a one-time shot, then make it worth it. Show everyone what you think is important.

For the incumbents, you have a record that shows the residents who you are and what you stand for. Build on your record and use it to make Tewksbury a better place to live. Like the challengers, show the people your bold, new ideas, too. Make people come out to vote!

Voters need to listen to both the incumbents and challengers and understand that they are running for all the same reasons. They both need to answer the questions raised by residents with plans to show why they are, or want to be, the leaders of our town.

Let's have a campaign that gives the residents a reason to vote. Make them show some emotion, to feel passionate about the issues, and to feel like they have a reason to be involved!

Kevin Anderson once served multiple terms on the Tewksbury Board of Selectmen. He now writes columns about Tewksbury issues for the opinion page of the Town Crier.

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If you know of anyone whom you feel should be deserving of this award, please help the Committee by submitting your nomination, with the reasons you feel this individual should be so rewarded, to the "Good Guy" Committee, P.O. Box 443, Wilmington, MA 01887.

This year, the committee chairpeople are Sandra and Paul Curtin, who jointly won the award last year.

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Carey reminds voters of the polling place locations: Precincts 1-1A are located at the DPW Building at 999 Whipple Road; Precinct 2 is located at the Teen Center at 286 Livingston Street; Precinct 2A is located at the South Fire House at 2342 Main Street; Precincts 3-3A are located at the Senior Center at 175 Chandler Street; and Precincts 4-4A are located at the Tewksbury Public Library at 300 Chandler Street.

If further assistance is needed, please phone the Town Clerk's Office at 978-640-4355. To be certain of your precinct location, please phone the Town Clerk's Office. The Street List by Precinct is available on the internet www.tewksbury.info.town clerk office/registering to vote/voting hours.

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To buy tickets, contact Steve or Tina Scanlon @ 978-658-7944, Kay Scanlon @ 978-658-2408, or the Wilmington High School Athletic Dept. 978-694-6065.

All proceeds from this event will go to the "Dick Scanlon Memorial Athletic Scholarship Fund," for a boy or girl athlete from Wilmington High School. For information please visit our website @ dsscholarship@attbi.com. If you cannot make this special event, please consider sending a donation. Mail to Rich Scanlon, 107 Salem Rd., Billerica, MA 01821

Wilmington Seniors' Menu

Monday - Chicken nuggets, whipped potato, steamed carrots, spiced apples, oatmeal bread and butter, milk, chocolate pudding.

Tuesday - Hot dog on a roll, baked beans, steamed broccoli, chilled peaches, milk, jello with topping.

Wednesday - Parmesan veal patty, egg noodles, seasoned green beans, mandarin oranges, whole wheat bread and butter, milk, ice cream.

Thursday - Pasta with meat sauce, tossed garden salad, chilled pineapple, french bread and butter, milk, cookie.

Friday - Chilled tomato juice, baked fish dinner, mashed potato, fruit salad cup, multigrain bread and butter, milk, dessert.

THEMILLS

"Mills is proposing ice rinks in their mall. Why should Tewksbury care?"

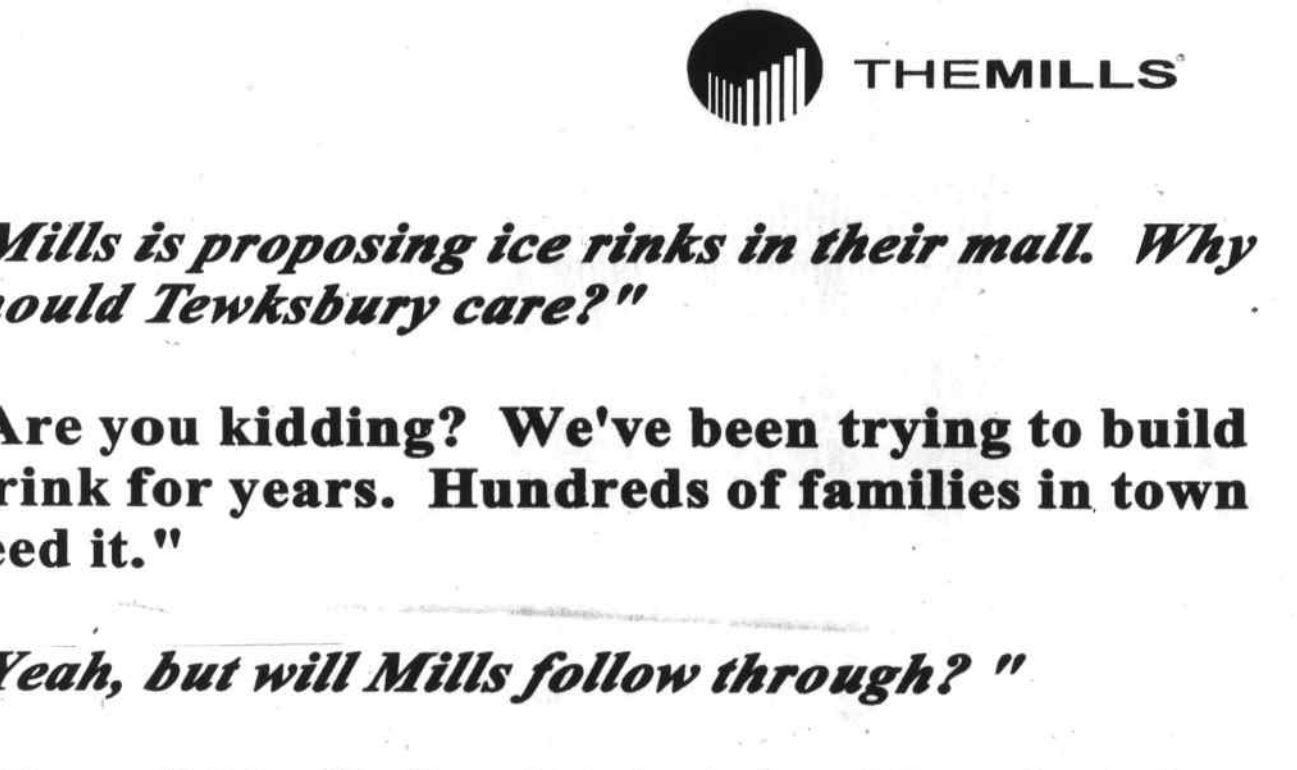
"Are you kidding? We've been trying to build a rink for years. Hundreds of families in town need it."

"Yeah, but will Mills follow through? "

"They did in St. Louis. A rink with reduced-rate ice time for local leagues, and the St. Louis Blues use it as a practice facility."

"Really?"

"Really."



To find out the facts about the Tewksbury Mills Mall proposal, contact:
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Letters to the Editor

It's not inappropriate to ask important questions about proposed mall

EDITOR'S NOTE. The following letter has been submitted to the Town Crier but is addressed to Paul Hajec, the traffic engineer who was fired by the Town of Tewksbury due to a conflict of interest.

Dear Mr. Hajec:

After reading the article in the Town Crier on February 11th, I felt the need to respond to you. You said that we (opponents of the mall) have resorted to personal attacks. Although you may have taken them personally, they were actually attacks against your professional behavior or lack of. I think the fact that the Town of Tewksbury fired you is proof that the opponents of the mall are not the only ones that felt that accepting payment from the MVEDC while working for us was inappropriate.

One more thing Mr. Hajec. You referred to our conduct in your statement. I would like to point out that those of us who are against Mills' proposed development are not presenting ourselves as impartial. We are honest and up front about where we stand and why. When you or any other peer reviewer stands before us, you should be prepared to support your position with facts. I do not feel we are behaving inappropriately by asking important questions.

Sincerely,
Kimberly DeRosa
Tewksbury

Thank you, Sons of Italy

EDITOR'S NOTE. The two following letters were written directly to the Wilmington Sons of Italy by students at the North Intermediate School and submitted to the Town Crier for publication. The Sons of Italy has donated $35,000 for the construction of a new playground at the school.

Dear Sons of Italy:

Thank you so much for the donations! I can't tell you how much I and my class appreciate the money to get a new playground. The other playground was getting so old and rusty. Once again, thank you for that phenomenal and unforgettable gift. I hope that one day I'll be able to give something like this to you.

Your Friend,
Shauna

Dear Sons of Italy:

I just wanted to say Thank You! Never in my life have I been apart of anything this big. In class we were thinking about how to improve our school. One girl said that we should get a new playground. The next day you donated a large amount of money for a new playground. It was like a dream come true. So I just wanted to say Thank You again.

Your Friend,
Amanda

Mall will create traffic nightmare

Dear Editor:

No Mall / No Rezone. Why? In-Town Traffic.

Tewksbury will become the cut-through town for Billerica, Wilmington and Lowell for access to the 93 Dascomb Road exit to 93 and the Mills Mall.

Just as Billerica became the cut-through town for the Burlington Mall, Tewksbury will become the cut-through town for the Mills Mall.

And with this Mall being an entertainment center (barrooms, movie houses, ice rinks) the traffic will be all day and night.

The traffic to the Mall, on Shawsheen Street, East Street Andover Street and cross-roads will increase dramatically, Especially the Shawsheen, East and Dascomb area that today is a traffic nightmare.

The residents of Tewksbury and residents in the Shawsheen/East Street area will be part of the newest Tewksbury traffic jam. Not to mention that the infrastructure (poor road and lack of sidewalks) of Shawsheen Street cannot afford any more traffic.

There should be a traffic study on Shawsheen, East and Andover Streets in addition to the Rt. 93 study.

Carl Lowe
Tewksbury

Armata hoping for Democratic State Committee

Dear Editor:

I have decided to declare my candidacy for the Democratic State Committee. One man and one women is elected every 4 years, during the presidential primary, from each of the 40 senate districts. The male seat is currently an open seat. I have been an active member in democratic circles throughout this district. Whether it be advocating sound Democratic policy or working tirelessly on campaigns at all levels of government, I have shown a true commitment to the people of this sprawling district. I ask for your support in the upcoming election on Tuesday, March 2nd. After you cast your vote for the Democratic Nominee for President, please vote ANDREW F. ARMATA for state committee. Thank you kindly.

Andrew F. Armata
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978-479-1794

Lauzon running for Democratic State Committee

Dear Editor:

I am running for a four-year seat on the Democratic State Committee in our 1st. Essex and Middlesex Senate District. As a twenty-year veteran of union political action, the time to step up to the plate is now.

We have been led down the primrose path for almost fifteen years with empty Republican campaign promises. Unfulfilled promises that have hurt both blue collar and white collar workers in our Senate District.

Republican rhetoric has convinced many that the GOP is concerned with working families when in reality the interests of right wing supporters has more to do with profit than people.

Many have begun to see that recent Governors have used the corner office as the stepping stone for bigger posts. It would come as no surprise if our Governor were to resign his post should a U.S. Senate seat open up.

We, as democrats, must embrace our party principles that put people before big business and big insurance lobbyists. We need to rekindle the concept that Government is not a business and that businesses are not governments. The notion that privatization is cost effective and the concept of running administrations like corporations must be abandoned.

Our local real estate taxes have never been higher because small towns need to fund programs that were once appropriated by the state.

We have lost sight that our Commonwealth has a responsibility to help those in need, the elderly, the poor and our vulnerable children.

Our public schools are facing enormous pressure to cut programs that will compromise our children's right to a meaningful and nationally competitive education.

We have lost way too many hospitals and many more are struggling with declining revenues due to the lack of a single payer health care system.

The Democratic party is the party for working families.

We need to work harder to protect our loved ones from corporate greed.

I am asking for your vote on Tuesday, March 2.

Sincerely,
Dan Lauzon

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Have a story? Have a question? Get in touch with us at www.yourtowncrier.com



Wilmington Police Log

Monday, February 16

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Main Street, Concord Street, and Aldrich Road.

Two signs valued at more than $250 each were reportedly stolen from USA Fitness for Women on Main Street.

A mailbox and a light post at a residence on Towpath Drive were reportedly vandalized.

Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Shawsheen Avenue.

A 17-year-old Tewksbury juvenile was arrested in Interstate 93 and was charged with illegally possessing Class C and D substances, failing to stay within marked lanes of travel, making an unsafe lane change, and speeding.

Tuesday, February 17

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Church Street.

Vending machines were reportedly vandalized outside of several businesses on Main Street.

Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Charlotte Road.

Joseph Fontaine, 29, of Brookline, was arrested on Interstate 93 and was charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol.

Wednesday, February 18

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Roberts Road.

A vehicle was reportedly burglarized while parked on Dunton Road.

Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Cushing Drive.

Mark Genther, 36, of Salem, New Hampshire, was arrested in the vicinity of 52 Main Street and was charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, failing to stop for a police officer, and failing to stay within marked lanes of travel.

Thursday, February 19

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Park Street and Ballardvale Street.

Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Avalon Drive.

The picture window of a residence on Burlington Avenue was reportedly maliciously damaged.

Friday, February 20

Authorities responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Main Street.

Thomas Demetro, 21, of Boston, was arrested on Interstate 93 on the basis of a warrant.

Kirk Irons, Stephen Lopriore, Marc Assini and Eric Krasker, all 20 years old and all of Wakefield, were arrested in the vicinity of 226 Lowell Street and were charged with possessing alcohol as minors.

Saturday, February 21

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Concord Street.

In separate, unrelated instances, authorities responded to reports of domestic disturbances at residences on Taplin Avenue and Fairmeadow Road.

An assault and battery reportedly occurred on Main Street.

Luis Figueroa, 20, Jose Rodriguez, 26, Jose Ortega, 24, and Jose Figuera, 29, all of Lawrence, were arrested on Interstate 93 and were charged with the illegal possession of a Class D substance with the intent to distribute it.

Sunday, February 22

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on Lawrence Street.

Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, February 16

A purse was reportedly snatched from a customer at McDonald's Restaurant on Main Street.

Tuesday, February 17

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Main Street and Debra Drive.

The building and property of Getty's service station on Main Street were reportedly vandalized.

A mailbox at a residence on Park Avenue was reportedly vandalized.

Daniel Doherty, 18, of Tewksbury, was arrested in the vicinity of 408 River Road and was charged with the illegal possession of a Class D substance with the intent to distribute it.

Anderson Vasquez, 18, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 333 Main Street and was charged with the illegal possession of a hypodermic needle and a Class A substance.

Joe Wayne Baker, 43, of Tewksbury, was arrested at his home at 97 Florence Avenue and was charged with assault and battery and domestic assault and battery.

Wednesday, February 18

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on East Street and Main Street.

A car parked on Chandler Street was reportedly maliciously struck with paintballs.

Eddie Murphy, 39, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation.

Mark Pollinger, 21, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 1032 Andover Street and was charged with the illegal possession of a Class D substance.

Thursday, February 19

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Main Street and East Street.

Mailboxes at residences on James Avenue, Pinewood Road and Livingston Street were reportedly vandalized.

An assault and battery reportedly occurred in the parking lot of Wal-Mart on Main Street.

A lawn ornament at a residence on Cinnamon Circle was reportedly maliciously destroyed.

Peter Fortes, 23, of Lowell, was arrested at 333 Main Street and was charged with assault and battery and shoplifting by asportation.

Erik Nickerson, 21, of Tewksbury, was arrested in Lowell on the basis of a warrant.

Friday, February 20

A motor vehicle-related accident was reported on DeCarolis Drive.

Saturday, February 21

Motor vehicle-related accidents were reported on Whipple Road and East Street.

A vehicle was reportedly stolen from the parking lot of Motel 6 on Main Street.

Officers responded to a fight that reportedly occurred between individuals in the parking lot of Wal Mart on Main Street.

Authorities logged a complaint in regard to a stereo that was reportedly being played too loudly at a residence on Merrimack Meadows Lane.

Dennis Amakove, 24, of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 401 Main Street and was charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and violating guidelines in regard to a vehicle's lights.

Kevin Edgar Fuller, 30, of Tewksbury, was arrested at his home at 35 Anthony Road on the basis of a warrant.

Sunday, February 22

Authorities helped remove an individual who was not wanted on the premises by management at the Pub Pacific Restaurant on Main Street.

Mailboxes at residences on Pinnacle Street, Andover Street and Livingston Street were reportedly vandalized.

Michael Lee, 34, of Pepperell, was arrested in the vicinity of 133 Main Street on the basis of a warrant.

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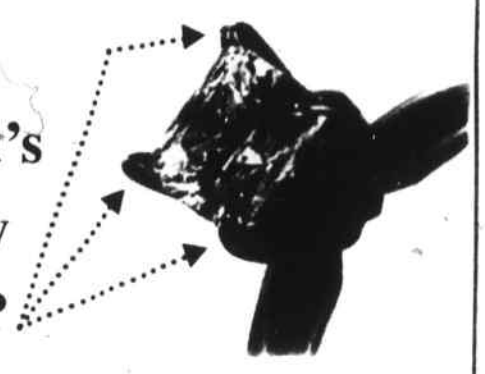
Hospice Care, Inc. is a non-profit organization serving patients with life-limiting illness and their families.

Hospice volunteers perform a vital role in augmenting hospice services by providing companionship to patients, respite time for family members, or help with errands. Volunteers may also focus on providing bereavement support to family members.

Volunteers come from diverse backgrounds and range in age from their 20's to their 80's. Their common bond is a desire to share their time and compassion with others. A strong need exists for daytime volunteers, but help is also needed during evenings and weekends. Join Hospice Care in this special opportunity to contribute to others in your community. No previous experience is necessary. Hospice Care, Inc. provides training and ongoing support. The next training session will begin on April 5, 2004. For more information, please call Karen Potter at 781-279-4100.

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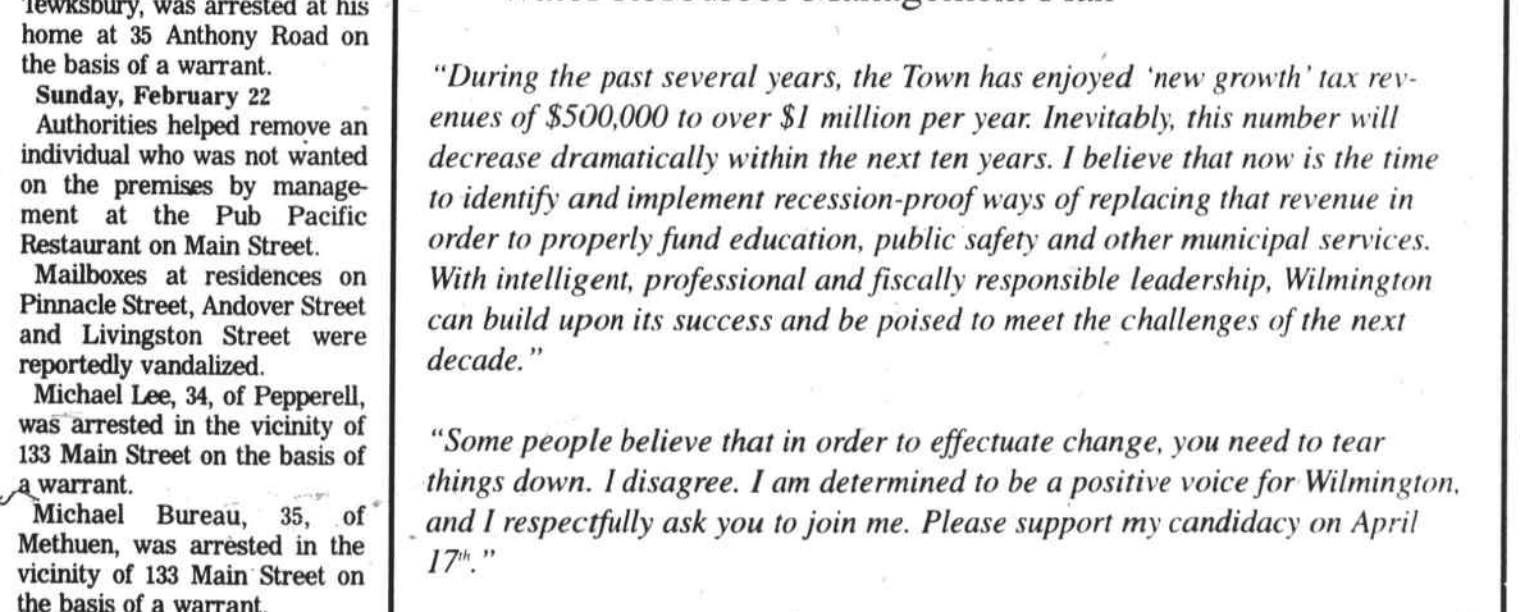
EXPERIENCE

- Member (5 years) and Chairman (2 years) of Wilmington Board of Selectmen
- Local Attorney (10 years) and former Wilmington Town Counsel
- Several town committees and organizations, including Library Long Term Plan Committee, Wilmington Educational Foundation, Knights of Columbus, Elks, WCTV Board of Directors, Master Plan Committee, and Citizen Advisory Committee for the Comprehensive Water Resources Management Plan

"During the past several years, the Town has enjoyed 'new growth' tax revenues of $500,000 to over $1 million per year. Inevitably, this number will decrease dramatically within the next ten years. I believe that now is the time to identify and implement recession-proof ways of replacing that revenue in order to properly fund education, public safety and other municipal services. With intelligent, professional and fiscally responsible leadership, Wilmington can build upon its success and be poised to meet the challenges of the next decade."

"Some people believe that in order to effectuate change, you need to tear things down. I disagree. I am determined to be a positive voice for Wilmington, and I respectfully ask you to join me. Please support my candidacy on April 17th."

- Michael Newhouse - 02/21/04



In his own words of long ago . . .

Circus Man "Bill Crawford" soaked up life under the Big Top

Editor's Note. The author of the following story was Paul Emmons, a long-time resident of Wilmington. An attorney, historian and writer, he lived at the corner of Middlesex Avenue and Salem Street. He and his sister both died in a fire in 1959. This story was published in the Wilmington Crusader in January and February of 1954.

WILMINGTON - One of the most interesting characters ever to live in Wilmington was William D. Stevens, who used to live at 191 Woburn Street in North Wilmington. He was professionally known as "Bill Crawford." Here is his life story as he related it to me in 1937. He is now dead, but in 1937 he was an old circus man and showman, 70 years old his next birthday. For nearly 60 years, he followed the sawdust trail or trod the mimographic boards.

From New York to San Francisco to New Orleans to the Canadian border, from Halifax, Nova Scotia to Crow's Nest in the Province of Alberta, from the horse and buggy days right down to the present time, he played in circuses, honky-tonks, dime museums, variety shows, vaudeville theaters, fair-grounds, expositions, school halls, department stores, and nearly every form of human assembly where entertainment is provided. He was with Sig Sautelle, Harry Mann, Gollmar, L. W. Washburn, Al G. Barnes, Barnum and Ringling, all the well-known circus men in their day, with the young Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, and Pawnee Bill. He was a boy magician, fire eater, electric coil operator when electricity was in its infancy, handcuff king, spirit cabinet operator, illusionist, barker, announcer, circus rider, side show manager, equestrienne director, claim agent for a circus and Punch and Judy performer.

In 1937, he still had three acts: trained dogs, Punch and Judy, and a clown act.

And here is his story, as he told it to me in 1937:

"I was born in Danvers, Massachusetts, November 4, 1867. They didn't have any nut-shop there then, but after I left, they put one in to fill the vacancy.

"Father came up from New Brunswick and went to work for his brother-in-law, who ran a grist mill in Danversport. Mother came up later. They were married in Danvers but moved to Everett when I was a small boy.

"I was allowed to put on long trousers at a very early age. Soon afterwards, along with some other kids, I went over to Chelsea to see the old Reynolds Bros. circus one afternoon. We also skipped school, as I remember the after-effects.

"Attracted by the glamour of the profession, I had decided to join it if I could muscle in some place where they'd have me. But even in those days, I showed some glimmering of sense. I didn't try to water the elephant, because that was too much like work. Pretty soon, I began to make myself useful to the man who sold pink lemonade. He looked me over.

"'Want to join on?'

"'Sure!'

"'How about your folks? Where are your parents?'

"'Oh, I'm an orphan.'

"'All right.'

"And he began to tell me what to do.

"The other kids went home and told my mother. Later she came around to collect her 'orphan.' But I had gone on with the circus to Gloucester. So the next day, my father had to give up a much needed day's pay to come down and get me. He only made eight or nine dollars a week. Father was a laboring man, but a gentleman.

"But I still had the show bug, which was a bad thing in those horse-car days. Every chance I got, I'd give it a fling. Before long I had a job pumping the organ in the Baptist Church. This was on Friday evenings. I also peddled papers on Sundays and did any odd jobs I could so as to pick up a little change to take me over to Boston.

"Yes, they had amateur nights way back then, at the old Boylston Theater on Washington Street. But it was very hard to muscle in with that tough bunch of South End kids. Finally I discovered I could get on at Gray's Opera House on Chardon Street.

"This was a place where they sold beer right in the audience, put on leg shows and all sorts of things. It was a dump, and was supposed to be awfully wicked, for those times.

"Friday nights, I found, gave me my best chance of getting over there. All I had to do was hire a substitute to pump the organ. Father and Mother thought I was doing my duty at the church and didn't bother me about it.

"Everything went along nicely for a while. Then I forgot to pay my substitute for a few weeks, and he went to see my mother, and there were no more amateur nights for quite a while.

"All I could do was sneak over to Boston every chance I got and patronize the shooting galleries. The principal one was Miller's on Court Street. A large, pretentious place. Or, so it seemed to me then.

"It was a saloon with a shooting gallery in the basement. A very nice place, like all Germans ran in those days. Very popular. The sporting people from all over the country patronized it when they were in Boston. It had a big bar, restaurant, and moving figures.

"Every time my mother sent me over to buy tea at the old Atlantic & Pacific store on the corner of Howard and Court streets, I'd skin a few pennies somehow and go down to Miller's. Sometimes I did it by walking or bumming a ride between Boston and Everett, and sometimes I had a few left from what I managed to earn through the week.

"I got to be a pretty good shot.

"Later the church was going to have a festival in the Town Hall in Everett. I suggested to the minister that we put in a shooting gallery and run it as part of the show. He thought it was a good idea. So I rigged one up on one side of the hall. Only had one gun and a few targets, and it was a wonder nobody got killed. But I done so well the first night that I was able to buy another gun, a Flobert rifle which I still have.

"In fact, I did more business than anybody else in the show. Everybody was delighted, and nobody questioned what I turned in. So I deducted the price of the rifles, and, well, I gave 'em what you might call a percentage cut. That gave me a financial idea that I've found very useful ever since. It's always a good thing to have the first handling of the money.

"When I finally got a regular job on the boards, I started out as a magician. And the first job I tackled was being a fire eater. But I didn't last too long at that. It was too darn tough.

"You had to take some cotton balls soaked in gasoline, and put them into your mouth by sleight of hand, so the audience wouldn't catch on. Then you would exhale the gasoline vapor and set it afire by some kind of a light waved in front of your face. So long as you had your wind with you and kept a steady pressure of air behind the vapor, you could keep the fire away from your face. But if you slipped up and allowed a few drops of gasoline to come out onto your lips, it was too bad.

"Then another fellow and I doubled up and done what they called 'double magic.' We were among the first to do the spirit cabinet, and the trunk act and the handcuff release, the same stunt that Houdini afterwards carried to perfection. And by the way, he and his wife were just starting. Only he made a study of the thing, and see where he got. We didn't.

"My partner was Albert Eddy. In the spring of 1888, we were in New York. He had a girl in Boston and wanted to go back there. I didn't have any girl at that time, and wasn't interested in going to Boston. So we split up.

"I saw an ad in the old New York Clipper - 'Wanted: a young man magician.'

"That was my first experience with a circus. It was the celebrated 'Signor Sautelle,' usually called 'Sig.' He had a mud show, in other words, a wagon show. I signed up with him as a side show magician, getting nine dollars a week. Which was big money for him to pay, as I found out afterwards, for he was noted for paying low salaries.

"Sig was a character. He was an old Grand Army man, and had been a Punch and Judy performer before the Civil War. He had also been with old Adam Forepaugh's show, and with Barnum's Circus back in the 1860s.

"He knew his business and was boss of the show, all right. But he had a boss over him. That was his wife Maria.

"She had the 'red wagon,' as the ticket wagon was always called, for it was painted that way. She sold all the tickets, handled all the money, and was the power behind the throne. Never a performer herself, she was a small woman with not much to say. But she knew how to handle the public, and she knew how to handle Sig.

"She'd call him.

"Sig.'

"Gosh dang it, Maria, don't bother me!'

And he'd come, in spite of his bluster.

"Once she called him clear from New York City to Syracuse. And he came, with a bunch of newspaper reporters reaching for his coattails. That was years later, when I was with the Barnum show, and we were playing in Madison Square Garden.

"Sig had come to New York on business. Visited the show one matinee and renewed acquaintance with a lot of people who had worked for him in the old days. Talked with me and I asked him where he was stopping.

"Oh, over at the old Putnam House.'

"Now Sig for years had been noted for his stick-pin which was in the form of a horse of white gold studded with diamonds. Nobody could think of Sig without thinking of the pin.

"I said to him, 'Sig, you're taking a chance with that diamond pin around here on Broadway at night.'

"Hr-mph! No slicker's slick enough to get that from me!'

"Next morning when I picked up the paper, there was the headline, 'Sig Stautelle, noted circus man, loses his diamond horse stick-pin.'

"Sig was good copy; therefore he made the front page. He was unaccompanied by the missus. He'd been out that night on a little party. Didn't get drunk, because he never did. But he was having a good time and some cutie he was honeying snitched the sparkler. The police got it back for him. Meanwhile the wires were burning for him to come home. Maria had seen that headline. And Sig went, cutting his visit very short.

"She was the watch-dog of the treasury all right, whether it was a diamond stick-pin or smaller ware.

"One of the help would come to her when she was sitting in the red wagon.

"Sig sent me to get a dollar to buy a pair of overalls.'

"She'd look at him.

"You've got on a pair of pants, haven't you?'

"Yes.'

"Well, then, you don't need overalls.'

"They never cheated anybody, but they never paid a regular salary. But this is getting ahead of my story. I didn't know anything about Sig when I joined up with him, except that he was making a name for himself in the circus business. Later, when his wagon show became unwieldy, he went on the rails with a good sized No. 2 circus.

"The first afternoon I was with him, he watched me do my sleight of hand and sell my little tricks in the side show. Afterwards he walked up to me.

"Look here, young feller, is that all you can do for the money I'm paying you? What the heck d'ye think you're up to, playing the museums? You've got to be a Punch and Judy performer.'

"I can't do Punch.'

"You can too,' he said, cuffing me aside of the head. 'If you don't, your trunk stays right here on the lot. Come over here and I'll show you how to work the figures. Maria, we've got a Punch and Judy performer.'

"After he'd given me my first lesson, he wound up saying, 'William, some day you'll thank Sig Sautelle for showing you Punch and Judy. When you're an old man and still in the business, you'll sell everything else but you won't part with Punch and Judy. That lives forever.'

"And so it has proved. The love of a circus man for his Punch and Judy never fails. In a span of 50 years, mine have sometime lain in the barn, unused, for months at a time. But now almost the only things I have retained out of my original equipment are my Punch and Judy figures, which I still like to get out and use in my old age . . ."

Stay tuned. There are more adventures to come. The second part of this story will appear in next week's edition of the Town Crier.

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SNIP, SNIP. Wilmington Family Chiropractic at 7 Middlesex Avenue recently celebrated its new membership with the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce during a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The business will hold an open house between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 28. From left to right are Chamber of Commerce members Barbara Hofelich and Bernadette Gerald; State Representative James Miceli; business owner Dr. Stephen Jensen and his wife, Michelle, and their daughter, Arija; Town Manager Michael Caira; and receptionist Jan Connors. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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March 3 at the Wilmington Middle School

"Rollercoaster" author to give advice on how to handle wild ride with teens

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Do you have a teenager living in your house? Are you wondering what is or is not "normal" teenage behavior? If so, the Wilmington Middle School and Wilmington High School Parent Advisory Committees (PACs) invite you to attend a workshop at 7 p.m. on March 3 at the Wilmington Middle School.

Sue Blaney, the acclaimed author of "Please Stop the Rollercoaster! How Parents of Teenagers Can Smooth Out The Ride," will be the keynote speaker. She is definitely one who practices what she preaches.

Blaney's book is a guide to help parents of teenagers examine the issues that they are likely to face while raising them.

"When my son was in junior high I wondered, 'What happened?! Where did he go?!'" says Blaney. "He changed so much, so fast; I realized I had a lot to learn about parenting teenagers."

Blaney found that many of her friends and colleagues were facing similar challenges and experiences. She found also that parents benefited tremendously from discussing the trials and tribulations of raising teenagers. Blaney and six other parents formed a discussion group which met regularly.

"We had no precedent for this, so we found our way," said Blaney. "All of us were amazed at how exploring these issues and experiences together helped us to minimized our stress."

Blaney's background in training and facilitation helped the process along and the group read articles, researched topics and "chewed" on challenging issues.

It didn't take long for Blaney to realize that other parents could benefit from a tool showing them how to create similar groups. She took her group's experience and meshed it with exhaustive research, pulled from a wide range of experts, to write her book.

"My focus is to guide parents to explore the range of issues they are likely to face while raising their teens," said Blaney.

The book does not claim to be a "best way." It offers flexibility enough to fit into practically any family's beliefs and value system, allowing the user to clarify what is most important to them.

"I focus on the 'typical' issues faced by parents and teens," said Blaney. "I don't address the more serious problems like eating disorders, substance abuse . . . which require professional assistance."

Blaney found that many books on the subject delve into a particular area, but leave parents wanting for information in other important areas. Her book provides an examination of a full range of issues, such as adolescent development and the changing role of a parent of a teenager. The book coaches on improving communication, family dynamics, and other such areas. It also advises parents about what they can do to influence whether their children become involved in risky behavior, how to support children through their schooling, and how the parents' expectations color the child's world.

"I want readers to read the chapter, do some brief exercises and then go talk to others: their child's other parent, friends, peers, or in their discussion groups," said Blaney. "Each parent needs to examine these changing issues and make decisions that are appropriate for their family's development at the present time, recognizing that things will continue to change."

All parents are encouraged to join Ms. Blaney on March 3rd.

Wilmington parents can expect Blaney to speak for 45 to 60 minutes and then welcome questions from the audience.

"My objective is to give parents information about their parenting journey that helps them 'smooth out their ride,'" says Blaney. "Many parents find themselves riding the same rollercoaster the adolescents are on - and that really isn't productive for anyone."

Blaney stresses that parenting groups structured around her book are not therapy groups and that there should be no expectation or requirement that parents speak about private or confidential matters.

"This will make the kids feel very uncomfortable - which is not our goal - and it makes parents feel vulnerable, too," said Blaney. "There is a lot of material that parents can discuss together that doesn't touch upon those sensitive confidential areas. That said, if and when a group develops some trust, this can be a place where parents can get much needed support. It is important, if parents want to 'go there,' that they talk about the issue of confidentiality and what it means in this group."

There will be a sign-up sheet at the event for those interested in joining parenting discussion groups.

More information regarding Sue Blaney and "Please Stop The Rollercoaster! How Parents of Teenagers Can Smooth Out The Ride!" can be found at www.pleasestoptherollercoaster.com.



A SUPERBOWL-SIZED PRIZE. Wilmington couple Richard and Mary Hart won a framed photo of the New England Patriots that was autographed by winning place kicker Ada Vinatieri during the annual fundraising dance held by the Make-a-Wish Foundation at the Knights of Columbus Hall last Saturday night. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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FACT VS. FICTION REGARDING THE MEGA MALL

"Did you hear that the Mills mega mall proposal would bring in over $3 million in tax revenue if Tewksbury approves it? Wow. My taxes are sure to go down and we won't have to cut any essential services! "

"Really?"

" **WRONG!** The FACTS are that your residential tax bill won't go down because of the mega mall. Mills' $3 million revenue figure is just an estimated projection of what the mega mall MAY generate on a gross basis. Our Finance Committee Chairperson, and our Town Assessor, have both stated publicly that because of tenant & building value uncertainties, that their educated "guess" is that proposed gross revenue could be in the range of $1.8-$3 million. They also both confirmed that our property taxes will NOT go down as a result of this proposed mega mall. And, as of the last Mills Study Committee, the costs to our Town to service the mega mall is now well over $1 million dollars!"

"Did you hear that if the Perkins land is not rezoned to commercial for the Mills mega mall that we could get 600 units of affordable housing, which would have a negative impact on our schools?"

"Really?"

" **WRONG!** The FACTS are that affordable housing can be built in any zone! Housing can still be built on the Perkins land, even if we rezone the land to commercial. If they don't get their rezone and their ramp, Perkins' could build affordable housing. But legally, the total units they could build would only be approximately 300 units, and those units would have to be phased in over a number of years, thereby lessening the impact on our schools and town services."

"Did you read the latest Mills' ad in which they state… 'more houses mean more schools, and more taxes'? Our taxes are sure to go up if we put in more houses."

"Really?"

" **WRONG!** The FACTS are that more houses do not automatically mean more schools. The residents of Tewksbury would have to VOTE on paying for funding of any new school. Besides, with all of the housing proposals currently before the Town, and all of the dense housing proposals the Town has already recently approved, where is the FAIR & EQUAL concern about the impact of housing from these other developments on our school system? Mills is simply trying to scare us to get what they want, and what this Town doesn't need – a mega mall!"

To find out the TRUTH contact S.T.O.M.P. at:
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Wilmington Library Notes *by Christina Stewart*

Wilmington Reads events begin March 1st

Judith Wilt, Professor of English at Boston College, will be the guest speaker at the library on March 1st to kick off a month of programs and discussion events for "Wilmington Reads *Empire Falls* by Richard Russo". Ms. Wilt, who taught *Empire Falls* in her course "Catholic Characters in Fiction and Film," will provide insight into the characters, relationships and themes in *Empire Falls*. The audience will have the opportunity to ask questions and share their views of the book. The Friends of the Library Hospitality Committee will provide delicious diner desserts at the "Empire Grill" refreshment table. Stop by the library to pick up a free ticket (there are still a few left). You may also call the library at 978-658-2967 to reserve your ticket. If you have a ticket and are unable to come to the program, please call the library and return the ticket if possible.

PageTurners give thumbs Up

PageTurners, the library's morning book discussion, group met on Tuesday, February 17th to discuss *Five Quarters of the Orange* by Joanne Harris. The group gave the book seven thumbs up and one thumbs down.

Bookends and PageTurners to discuss Empire Falls in March

The Wilmington Memorial Library's two monthly book discussion groups, Bookends and PageTurners, will read *Empire Falls* by Richard Russo for the March book discussions. Bookends will meet on Thursday, March 4 at 7 p.m. in the library conference room at 7 p.m. Please note that PageTurners will meet at the Buzzell Senior Center on Tuesday, March 16th at 11 a.m. for this "Wilmington Reads" event. Any resident who has read *Empire Falls* is welcome to attend and join in the discussion at either program. Refreshments will be provided.

Community Reading Programs in Other Massachusetts Towns

Other Massachusetts towns currently involved in town wide reading programs include the following communities. Wakefield is reading *The Sea Room* by local author Norman Gautreau. Manchester-by-the Sea is reading *Dark Tide: The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919* by Stephen Puleo. Newburyport is reading *House of Sand and Fog* by Andres Dubus III. Bedford is reading *Plainsong* by Kent Haruf. Sturbridge is reading *The Lobster Chronicles* by Linda Greenlaw. West Boylston is reading *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain.

Upcoming Children's Progams

TIME FOR TWOS

Time for Twos, a half-hour drop-in story time for two year-olds and their caregivers, will be held on Thursday, March 4th at 10 am.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Rowan of Rin by Emily Rodda was chosen by kids ages nine and older for their discussion on Friday, March 5th at 3:30 pm. In this fantasy/mystery, timid Rowan and company set out to climb a mountain and try to restore their water supply in a frightening journey towards a dragon and other perils.

Children ages 7 and older chose *How to Be Cool in Third Grade* by Betsy Duffey for their discussion on Friday, March 12th at 3:30 pm. This humorous story involves Robbie York being marked as a target by a bully at school. He decides that the only way to survive third grade is by being cool.

Both book discussions are drop-in. Extra copies of the books are available at the Children's Room desk. Prizes (donated by the Friends) and refreshments follow discussions.

Upcoming Teen Events

The next Teen Book Discussion will be held on Friday, February 27th at 3:30 pm. The group will talk about *The Lost Years of Merlin* by T.A. Barron (Book One of The Lost Years of Merlin series). Extra copies of the book are available at the library. Refreshments will be served. Door prize provided by the Friends of the Library.

Jodi Silverio awarded prestigious 100% Club



WILMINGTON - RE/MAX ENCORE has announced that Jodi Silverio has been awarded membership in the 100% Club. Although Silverio has worked part time in real estate for more than a decade, she has only in the past year committed to a full time career.

Achieving the prestigious 100% award in only one year is a great accomplishment. The a award was presented at a ceremony at the Mohegan Sun in Hunkasville, CT.

Jodi Silverio has also completed a Buyers Representative course provided by the Massachusetts Association of Realtors. She is now qualified to represent buyers in the real estate market. She can be of great assistance in finding exactly the right property for anyone seeking a home in the Wilmington or Tewksbury area.

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School Lunch Menus

WEEK OF MARCH 1, 2004

Wilmington Public Schools

Wildwood and Boutwell Schools

Monday - Chicken nuggets, potato smiles, steamed green peas, pineapple tidbits, milk/juice, frozen juice bar.

Tuesday - Pasta with marinara sauce, mozzarella sticks, steamed green beans, fruit salad cup, milk/juice, fruity yogurt.

Wednesday - (Early Dismissal) Soft Pretzel, ham and cheese cubes, snappy carrot sticks, peaches and cream, milk/juice, dessert.

Thursday - Hot dog on a roll, baked french fries, corn niblets, chilled fruit, milk/juice, apple pie stick.

Friday - Pizza sticks with marinara sauce, steamed veggies, chilled fruit cup, milk/juice, assorted dessert.

Wilmington Elementary

Monday - Chicken nuggets, potato smiles, steamed vegetables, pineapple tidbits, milk/juice, frozen juice bar.

Tuesday - Hot dog on a roll, oven fries, corn niblets, chilled fruit, milk/juice, apple pie stick.

Wednesday - (Early Dismissal) Warm pretzel, fruity yogurt, cheese cubes, snappy carrot sticks, peaches and cream.

Thursday - Pasta with meat sauce, mozzarella sticks (3), steamed green beans, fruit salad cup, milk/juice, animal crackers.

Friday - Italian style pizza, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit cup, milk/juice, assorted desserts.

Wilmington Middle School

Monday - Chicken nuggets, oven fries, steamed baby carrots, chilled diced pears, milk/juice, frozen juice bar.

Tuesday - Pasta with meat sauce, mozzarella sticks (3), steamed green beans, fruit salad cup, milk/juice, dessert.

Wednesday - (Early Dismissal) Warm Pretzel, ham and cheese cubes, hash brown patty, peaches and cream, milk/juice, dessert.

Thursday - BBQ rib sandwich, creamy mashed potato, steamed corn niblets, cinnamon apples, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday - Pizza dippers, marinara sauce, steamed vegetables, chilled fruit cup, milk/juice, dessert.

Wilmington High School

Monday - Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, seasoned green beans, chilled peaches, milk/juice.

Tuesday - Pasta with meat sauce, mozzarella sticks (3), steamed carrots, fruit salad cup, milk/juice.

Wednesday - (Early Dismissal) Waffle sticks with syrup, sausage patty, hash browns, cinnamon apples, milk/juice.

Thursday - Beef dippers with BBQ sauce, seasoned rice, steamed corn, chilled pineapple, milk/ juice.

Friday - Stuffed crust pizza, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice.

Tewksbury Public Schools

Monday - Meatballs in sauce on a sub roll, potato puffs, carrot and celery sticks, chilled pears, milk.

Tuesday - orange juice, french toast sticks with syrup, cheese sticks or ham, apple crisp, milk.

Wednesday - Chicken nuggets with sauces, carrots, cranberry sauce, whipped potato, hot roll, chocolate cookie, milk.

Thursday - Shaved steak and cheese in Syrian pouch, potato stixs, corn niblets, pudding, milk.

Friday - Chilled juice, mozzarella sticks with dipping sauce, garden salad, ice cream, milk.

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Monday- Beef Ravioli with meat sauce, green beans, salad, hot garlic bread, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Tuesday - Chicken nugget with dipping sauce, rice pila carrots, hot roll, fresh an canned fruit, milk.

Wednesday - Taco boat with meat and bean filling, shredded lettuce and cheese, diced tom toes, corn, corn bread, fres and canned fruit, milk.

Thursday - Baked macaron and cheese, California blend vegetables, hot roll, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Friday - Italian style pizza, tossed salad, garlic bread sticks, fresh and canned fruit, baked dessert, milk.

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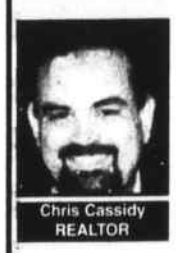
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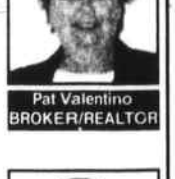

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Pat Agati joins Wilson Wolfe Real Estate

WILMINGTON - Wilson Wolfe Real Estate is pleased to announce the addition of Wilmington resident Pat Agati to their team of experienced Realtors.

Pat, who has specialized in new construction and buyer relations, is a seasoned Realtor with over 20 years experience. She is a motivated professional who also owned and operated Dove Associates, a local Real Estate Firm, for several successful years.

Pat is a member of the Eastern Middlesex Association of Realtors, the Massachusetts Association of Realtors, and the National Association of Realtors.

A resident of Wilmington for the past 25 years, Pat resides with her family on Woburn Street.

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that she is welcomed to Wilson Wolfe Real Estate.

Pat can be contacted through the business office or at www.WilsonWolfe.com.



Keynote Happenings at the Wilmington Arts Center

BeatleTracks will take you back to "Yesterday"

WILMINGTON - Come enjoy and reflect back to the days of Beatles' music with the five-member tribute band BeatleTracks! The concert performance is scheduled at the Wilmington Art Center on Sunday afternoon, March 7, from 2 pm to 4 p.m. with admission at the door, $5.00 adults/$2.00 seniors/children under 12 years. Light refreshments will be provided free of charge. It is best to arrive on the early side of start time; parking is limited at the Art Center. If the lot is full when you arrive, please park at the Congregational Church across the street. Additional parking is also available at the Wildwood Street lot located across from the cemetery near the Middlesex Avenue corner. Please be mindful there is no parking allowed on Route 62 near the vicinity of the Wilmington Art Center.

This dedicated group of musicians - keyboardist Mark Levine of Wilmington, guitarists Ken Sandler of Billerica and Eric Solomon of Acton, drummer Mark Ristaino of Londonderry, NH and bassist Bill Soldani - resurrect the Beatles' original sound, from their instrumentation and musical scores to the most subtle of details in the band's production. The arrangement these artists use are the same as the ones that the Beatles made famous. This includes the Black-and-White limited edition 6-string Rickenbacker guitar, the same type that John Lennon played, the Ludwig Black Oyster Pearl drum kit that authentically sounds like Ringo Starr and the Hofner Bass guitar, which Paul McCartney still uses in performances today. The Hofner Bass was so strongly associated with Paul McCartney during the Beatles' era it was dubbed the "Beatle Bass". Other pieces of equipment include an LR10 Ibanez guitar, a Red 12-string Rickenbacker guitar, creating that unique 1960s band sound, and the Korg Karma keyboard, which generates music that was once only attainable in professional recording studios, but now can be brought to live performances. The Korg also adds strings and horns to the Beatles' tunes. Another authenticated element brought to remaking the Beatles' sound is the Vox Valvetronics amplifier that produces all of the tonal quality of the amplifiers that the Fab Four used. When the BeatleTracks band played at Java Jane's coffee shop in Billerica during the fall of 2002, owner Jane Mane was quoted in the Billerica Minuteman newspaper that the band drew the people in and brought the house down. For more information on BeatleTracks and its members, visit the website at http://www.beatletracksband.com. To hear MP3 music clips of the band (you will need Windows Media Player, or something comparable to that, on your computer), go to http://members.verizon.net/~vze2b6yg/The%20Tracks.htm and preview songs such as "Do You Want To Know A Secret", "Twist And Shout", "Norwegian Wood", "Ticket To Ride", "Something" and an all-time favorite, "Let It Be".

The music of the Beatles reverberates through generational eras, no matter if you are young, old, or anywhere in between. And BeatleTracks is such a mark of respect where one feels the Fab Four would be honored. They make a passionate commitment to reproducing the Beatles' sound faithfully and to making it cheerful and entertaining to their audiences, while evoking a distant age and place with the quality, timeless music. So come out and have some fabulous fun with the Fab Four tribute band BeatleTracks on a Sunday afternoon at the Wilmington Art Center!

The Wilmington Art Center is located at 219 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, MA. (Many of you may remember the building as the Old Town Hall). For more information, contact Jane Crane at 978-658-9798 or email wilmingtonartscouncil@yahoo.com. New members, and new ideas, are always welcome. For updated arts program schedules and times, visit the Council's temporary website location at http://www.geocities.com/wilmingtonartscouncil/WCAprograms.html.

Tewksbury students in Robotics Competition

NASHUA, NH - Tewksbury Memorial High School will join more than 50 high school teams from across the Northeast United States and Canada to participate in the 2004 Granite State Regional FIRST Robotics Competition, March 5-6, at the Verizon Wireless Arena in Manchester, N.H.

The regional competition will bring about 1,500 students and their adult mentors together to compete team robots against each other in timed events that emphasize innovation and strategy.

The regional competition is one of 27 across North America that leads to the national competition scheduled for April. More than 900 teams worldwide - about 20,000 students are participating in FIRST this year. FIRST-for Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology was established in 1989 by inventor Dean Kamen as a way to energize young people's interest in science, technology and engineering. It is a non-profit organization and it's headquarters is also in Manchester.

BAE Systems is again sponsoring this year's competition. Galen Ho, president of Information & Electronic Warfare Systems in Nashua, said the effort benefits both FIRST and the company. "It's a natural partnership -one we've had since 1991, because we both embrace the values of people, performance and innovation. FIRST is all about creating tomorrow's brightest scientists, engineers and leaders."

The event is open to the public. Initial rounds begin Friday, March 5, at 9:00 am, with an awards ceremony at 4:00 pm. The competition continues on Saturday, March 6, at 9:00 am, with final rounds scheduled to start at 1:00 PM., followed by the final awards ceremony at 3:00 p.m. Admission is free and seating is on a first-come basis. Doors open to the public at 8:30 a.m. each day.

Students each year are given six weeks to design and build a robot using a common parts list to compete in a competition that varies from year to year. The teams must follow a standard set of rules in competing their robot on a series of tasks within an allotted time. At regional competitions, teams are not only scored on the robot's performance, but also on employment strategies that include alliances with other teams.

Learn to write your memoirs

TEWKSBURY - Join local author, editor and teacher Peggy Rambach at the Tewksbury Public Library this spring, as she leads a workshop on Memoir Writing to help you in this endeavor. Adults are invited to attend this workshop, during which you will have the opportunity to read your work-in-progress, discuss it, and revise it under the guidance of Ms. Rambach and fellow workshop members.

The workshop will run at the library for four consecutive Saturdays, starting March 13, from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The workshop is free, but registration is required, and the enrollment is limited. Contact the Reference Desk at the Tewksbury Public Library for more information, in order to sign up for the class in person or over the phone at 978-640-4490.Cultural council.

For more information regarding programming at the Tewksbury Public Library, visit the library's website at www.tewksburypl.org

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Wakefield church hosting 33rd annual antiques show

WAKEFIELD - On Friday, March 26 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday, March 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the 33rd Annual Antiques & Collectibles Show will be held at the 1st Parish Congregational Church at 1 Church Street in Wakefield.

This lovely historic stone church is located on beautiful Lake Quannapowitt in the center of downtown Wakefield.

There will be plenty of parking.

The Church Antiques Committee has been very busy planning every detail to assure that this year's show will be well-attended and profitable for exhibitors and fun and exciting for the shoppers. Exhibitors are selected with the intention of offering a complete range of antiques and collectibles: furniture beautifully displayed in room settings, china, pottery, and glassware, silver, lovely linens, children's items, prints and paintings, rugs, vintage kitchen items, lovely vintage jewelry, and numerous other treasures.

The church is planning a tempting home-cooked menu to be available throughout the show. Adult admission to the show is $5. ($4.50 with this clipping) All children or teens get in free.

Appraisals will be available on Friday evening ($5 per item or 3 for $10)

The church is handicapped accessible.

All are welcome. For show information, please call (781) 245-1539. For exhibitor information, call (781) 246-0994 or e-mail FH5MH5@aol.com.

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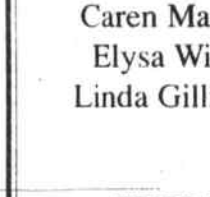
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Obituaries

Lillian M. Buckley

Executive Director Wilmington Housing Authority

WILMINGTON - Lillian M. (Principato) Buckley, age 63 years, died Feb. 23, 2004, at the Hospice Residence of Reading.

Mrs. Buckley was born in



Revere, the beloved daughter of the late Eugene and the late Mary Grace (Ciancarelli) Principato. She had graduated from Malden High School in 1958, received her Bachelor's Degree as a Summa Cum Laude Graduate from Merrimack College in 1986. Mrs. Buckley had moved to Wilmington 28 years ago.

She was the Executive Director of the Burlington Housing Authority for 10 years, retiring in 1999 and had worked prior to that as the Executive Director of the Wilmington Housing Authority for 3 years.

Mrs. Buckley was a member and Past President of the Merrimack College Alumni Council and a member of the Wilmington Sons of Italy.

Mrs. Buckley is survived by her beloved husband of 41 years Retired Malden Police Chief Neil L. Buckley; her children Patricia Buckley and her husband Salvatore Filetti of Wilmington, Dukes County Deputy Sheriff Michael Buckley of Martha s Vineyard and Karin Kennedy and her husband Christopher Kennedy of Haverhill; her grandchildren Erin Filetti, Patrick Filetti and Nolan Kennedy; her sisters Marilyn and her husband Fritz Himmelsbach of Switzerland and Jeanne and her husband Dougles Shattuck of No. Andover; her brother John Principato of Revere; her sister-in-law Kathleen Lane of Peabody and her brother-in-law Donald Buckley and his wife Eileen of Walpole.

Her funeral will be held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington, on Saturday at 8:45 followed by funeral mass at St. Thomas Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, at 10:00 AM. Relatives and Friends are invited to attend visiting hours on Friday from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. Interment will take place in the family lot Wildwood Cemetery, in Wilmington. Memorials in her name may be made to Visiting Nurse Hospice, 607 North Ave., Wakefield, MA 01880. For Guestbook and Information please visit www.cavanaughfuneralhome.com <http://www.cavanaughfuneralhome.com>

Richard P. Robinson

Marketing Manager for Verizon

WILMINGTON - Richard P. Robinson, age 69 years, died on February 18, 2004, at the Winchester Hospital in Winchester.

He was born on Friday, Sept. 28, 1934, in Boston, the son of the late John F. Robinson and the late Ruth (Tisch) Robinson.

Mr. Robinson had served in the United States Army during



the Korean Conflict. He had lived in Medford for many years before moving to Wilmington 38 years ago. Prior to retirement, Mr. Robinson was employed as a Marketing Manager for Verizon. He was a member of the Wilmington Knights Of Columbus #4982 and the Wilmington American Legion Post #136.

Mr. Robinson is survived by his beloved wife Marilyn M. (Tobin) Robinson; his children Richard Robinson and his wife Monique of Clifton Park, N.Y., Jean Westerberg and her husband Tom of Wilmington, Kevin Robinson of Honolulu, HI, Kathy Sargent and her husband Glen of Andover, Maureen Robinson and her fiance Ed Adams of Wilmington, Laurie Goodwin and her husband Jeff of Reading and Kristine Witalisz and her husband CJ of Wilmington; brother of John Robinson of Dedham and Dottie Robinson and her husband Charlie of Stamford, CT. Mr. Robinson is also survived by 10 grandchildren.

His funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington, on Saturday morning, February 21, 2004, at 8:45 followed by funeral mass at St. Thomas Church at 10:00 AM. Interment took place in the family lot Wildwood Cemetery, in Wilmington. Memorial donations in his name may be made to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701. For Guestbook and Information please visit www.cavanaughfuneralhome.com <http://www.cavanaughfuneralhome.com>

Shriners holding Irish dinner-dance

WILMINGTON - The Aleppo Shriners will be holding a St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance at the Shriner's Auditorium in Wilmington on Saturday, March 6.

The event will begin with a social hour that will offer a cheese-and-fruit tray and will last from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. There will be a traditional full course Irish dinner at 7 p.m. Music and dancing will take place between 7 and 11 p.m. Irish step dancers will perform at 8:30 p.m.

Dress casually. Admission is $15. Tickets can be acquired by calling t978-657-4202, extension 17, or by mailing a check and self-addressed stamped envelope to the Aleppo Shriners, P.O. Box 1008, Wilmington, MA 01887-0578.

Edward F. White

Machinist for Fabreeka International

WILMINGTON - Edward F. White, age 77 years, of Wilmington, formerly of Charlestown and Somerville, died on February 17, 2004, at the Lahey Clinic Medical Center in Burlington.

He was born on Saturday, August 21, 1926, in Boston, the son of the late Daniel White and the late Elizabeth (Reagan) White. Mr. White was born and raised in Charlestown and served in the United States Navy during World War II. He was a resident of Somerville for over 40 years and prior to retirement, was employed as a Machinist by Fabreeka International in Stoughton. He lived in Wilmington for 10 years and held membership in the Logan Post V.F.W. in Somerville and the U.S.S. Natoma Bay Association.

Mr. White is survived by his beloved wife Margaret M. (Crowley) White; his children Edward G. White and his wife Michele of Andover, Maureen A. Beraldi and her husband Richard of Wilmington, Karen D. Breton and her husband Robert of Everett and James D. White and his wife Hyla of Malden; his grandchildren Audrey, Devon, Kyle, Ericka, Anthony and Keenan. Mr. White was also the brother of



the late John White of Braintree, the late Charles White of Woburn and the late Edna Lake-Dederian of Northboro.

His funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main St. (Rt. 38), Wilmington, on Saturday, February 21, 2004 at 10:15 followed by Funeral Mass at St. Thomas Church 11:30 AM. Interment took place in the family lot Wildwood Cemetery, in Wilmington.

Memorials in his name may be made to the Parkinson's Disease Association Center, 720 Harrison Ave., Boston, MA.

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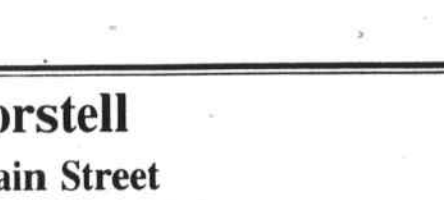
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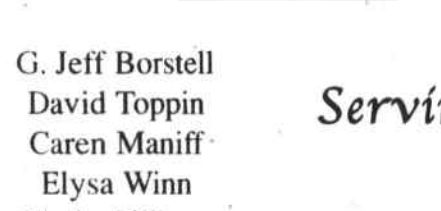
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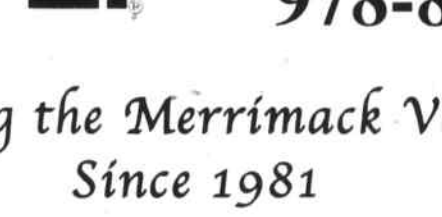
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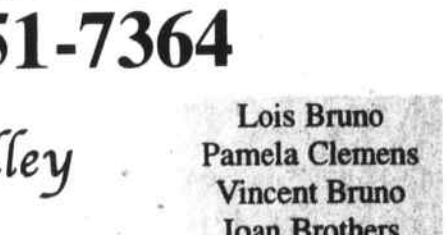
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To all persons interested in the estate of **Rita Blanche Quinn**, late of **Tewksbury** in the County of **Middlesex**.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the first and final account of **Celine Coon and Celeste Campbell** as executrixes-the fiduciaries of said estate under the will of said deceased has been presented to said court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account(s), you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at CAMBRIDGE on or before the 8th day of March, 2004, the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said accounts. If you desire to object to any item of said account(s), you must, in addition, to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciaries pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, Hon. Beverly Weinger Boorstein, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this 30th day of January, 2004.

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Springtime will be busy for Tewksbury seniors

TEWKSBURY - On Thursday, February 26, the Tewksbury Community of Artists will have Maria Galente conduct a presentation at the Tewksbury Senior Center on Calligraphy. This group will meet in the crafts room at 7:00 p.m. Admission for non-members is $3. The Senior Citizen fee is $2. This demo will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The Historic Society will also have a presentation at the Senior Center on Thursday evening. A membership meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the main hall followed by a presentation at 7:00 p.m. by Gerry O'Reilly on South Tewksbury and Silver Lake.

On Friday, February 27, Fallon Health will have a representative at the Senior Center to showcase its health plan. This presentation will be held in the main hall beginning at 11:00 a.m. The last of these health seminars will be held on Friday, March 16th at 11:00 a.m., at which time a representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield will make a presentation.

Seniors are reminded that the Senior Center Valentine Dance will be held on February 27th at 6:00 p.m. A Chinese Food Buffet will be served at 6:30 p.m. As has been noted, this is a special dance in that all those couples who have reached their 50th wedding anniversary in the past year or who have been married longer but have never been a guest will be honored. This year there are 23 couples who will be acknowledged.

An opening exists on the Tewksbury Council on Aging. This opening is to fill an unexpired term that will end on December 31, 2004. Applications will be accepted up until 12:00 noon on March 12, 2004. Applications can be picked up at the office of the Council on Aging, 175 Chandler Street, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 to 3:30 p.m. For more information one may call 978-640-4482.

Seniors citizens should note that next Tuesday, March 2nd, State Primary Elections are taking place. Due to the fact that the Senior Center is a polling site, all programs in the main hall will be cancelled for the day. The hot lunch program will be held. However, participants will be eating in the crafts room. Wood carving class will be held in the crafts room at its regularly scheduled time and staff personnel will be conducting normal daily duties.

The Seniors Center monthly "Cootie Party" will be held next Friday, March 5th, beginning at 12:45 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Those "Carnation Belles" planning to attend the Sunday Brunch and Red Hat Vendor Fair in Woburn on March 14th should note that Dee Kerr and Kay Maher will be at the Senior Center during their specified hours this coming week. Payments for this trip are due by next Friday, March 5th. There is also a Red Hat trip planned for the Museum of Fine Arts for April 18th. Check the Red Hat bulletin board for information. This second trip payment is due by March 17th. Carnation Belles should note that all Red Hat trip business is only done by the above members of the court. The Council on Aging staff is not conducting any Red Hat business. Dee Kerr will be here on Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Kay Maher will be here on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and on Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The center's AARP Tax Assistant, Ralph Luongo, is now helping Tewksbury Seniors with their tax returns. If interested in this service one may call Carol Hazel at 978-640-4482. When leaving your name, please be sure to note your telephone number. If you are planning to take advantage of this free service, keep in mind that Mr. Luongo will only be here until the end of March so don't wait too long to call and make an appointment.

The center can still take a few names for the computer course that will be offered at the Ryan School on Monday afternoons at 2:45 p.m. This course duration will be four (4) weeks and will begin in early March. Please add you name and telephone number to the list if you are interested. A COA staff member will contact those interested prior to the start of the course.

Dusty Morin has offered to teach the Waltz and the Fox Trot to his fellow Senior Citizens.

The center has scheduled his classes which will be held from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. as such:

Tuesday, March 9th - the waltz; Tuesday, March 16th - the Fox Trot; and, Tuesday,

March 23rd - brush up on the two. This class will be open to all and there is no fee.

An activities meeting has been scheduled for Friday, March 12th, at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to come on down and help in the planning of Senior Center activities and events.

Just a reminder that Eileen Griffin will begin oil painting classes in March on the 15th and 16th. If you are planning to take one of her classes, please do sign up at the front desk at the Senior Center so work can begin on a class rooster in the near future.

As previously noted the Council on Aging now has a volunteer SHINE Counselor, Ms. Sheehan. She will be available to help advice Seniors on medical insurance coverages.

If you need some advice, please call the Senior Center at 978-640-4482 and talk to Carol Hazel. She will explain how appointments are arranged.

The Seniors first Yard Sale of the year will be held on Saturday, March 20th. All tables are now reserved and the center is only taking names for the waiting list. This is an indoor yard sale. Appraiser, Arthur Bergeron, will also be holding a "Senior Version of the Antique Road at our yard sale. More information will be note at a later date.

The next casino trip will be to Foxwoods on Monday, March 22. Tickets are $20 which includes transportation, a food coupon and a Keno bet. Tickets will be on sale beginning on Monday, March 1. Bus seats will be assigned when you purchase your ticket.

The center is now taking names for the waiting list for the Best of Times' "Irish Cabaret" on Wednesday, March 10. Tickets are $59. If you did not have the opportunity to purchase your ticket for this show you can still put your name on the list to be called if a seat becomes available.

Tickets to the New England Flower Show on Thursday, March 18 are selling quickly. There are only six seats available. This trip is open to anyone. You do not have to be a Tewksbury senior to join us. Tickets are on sale for $27. Bus seats will be assigned when you purchase your ticket.

On Monday, March 29 you will have the opportunity to view the Gauguin exhibit at the Museum of Fine Arts plus enjoy their Tea and Flower Tour. This tour includes a behind-the-scenes look at the MFA flower room and an elegant tea service in one of the MFA galleries accompanied by live music. This trip is also open to everyone and tickets are going quickly. They cost $40. Bus seats will be assigned when you purchase your tickets.

Have a nice week and God Bless and America!

Obituary

Mary A. Worby

Devoted to family; loved music, playing organ

WEST YARMOUTH - Mary A. Worby died at the Pavilion on February 23, 2004, after a brief illness. She was the wife of the late Frederick L. Worby for 68 years. Mrs. Worby was born in Southbridge, MA and lived in Brimfield, Wilmington Har-wich Hyannis and Plymouth, MA before moving to live with her daughter and son-in-law in West Yarmouth, MA.

She loved to play the organ, serving as organist at the Brimfield Congregational Church for many years. She worked in the sales department of American Optical in Southbridge. She was a life member of the Order of Eastern Star, an honor member and past president of the Wilmington Women's Club, and a member of the Federated Church of Hyannis. The most important part of her life was her family.

Mrs. Worby is survived by her daughter, Lillian E. (Betty) Bartlett of West Yarmouth, MA; a son, Stewart L. Worby of Vero Beach, FL; a brother, Richard H. Riedel of Spring Hill, FL; 10 grand children; 22 great grand children; and 5 great great grand children.

There will a memorial service at the Federated Church of Hyannis, 320 Main St, Hyannis, MA on Saturday, March 6, 2004 at 11 AM. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Yarmouth Fire Dept, c/o the Rescue Fund, South Yarmouth, MA; Hospice of Cape Cod, 270 Communication Way, Hyannis, MA; or the Memorial Fund (Music), Federated Church of Hyannis, 320 Main Street, Hyannis, MA.

Arrangements were by the John-Lawrence Funeral Home of Marston Mills.

CC Consulting announces

TipShops to help business owners make dramatic improvements

TEWKSBURY - CC Consulting announces new tools to help business owners dramatically improve their business skills and increase their profitability. TipShops are a series of innovative, cost-effective, time effective seminars designed for the busy professional. Tele- Shops, are just one of the many options available to clients.

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TipShops are a series of interactive, cost effective workshops delivered via tele- conference. Participants can choose individual topics based on the skills they need to develop or they can attend the entire series and see continuous improvement in the value they bring to their business. A topic expert facilitates TipShops.

The first TipShop is "Hiring the BEST, Right Fit Employee" to be held March 4. Other TipShop titles include Customer Insight, Company Business Plan, Surviving Change. To register or learn more about these and other cost effective ($78.00 per person) Tele- Shops, visit their web site at www.mgmtadvise.com or call them toll free at 866-TIP-SHOP.

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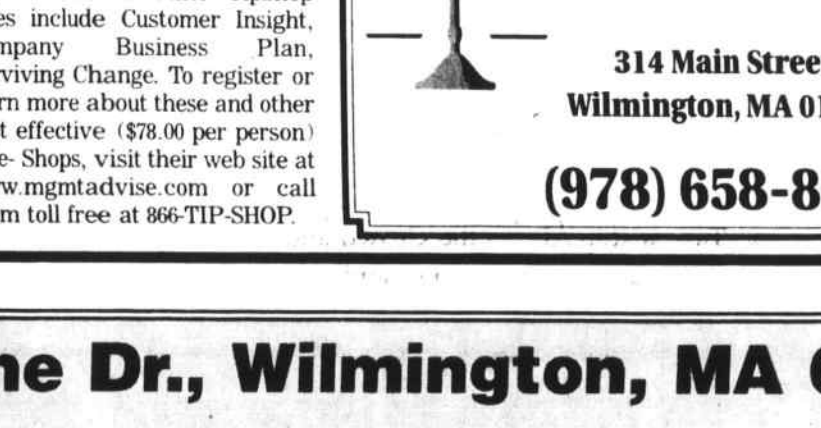
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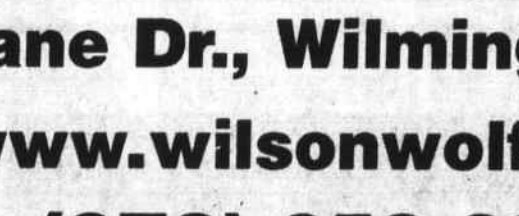
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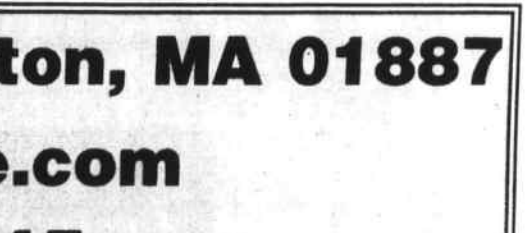
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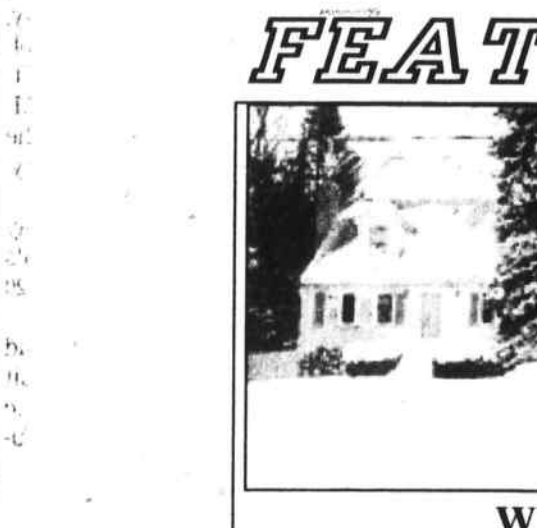
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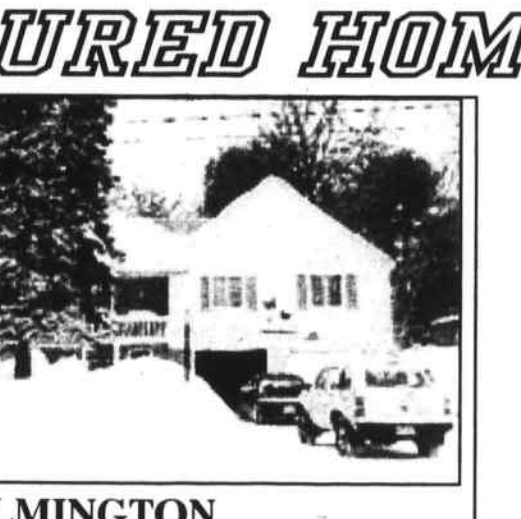
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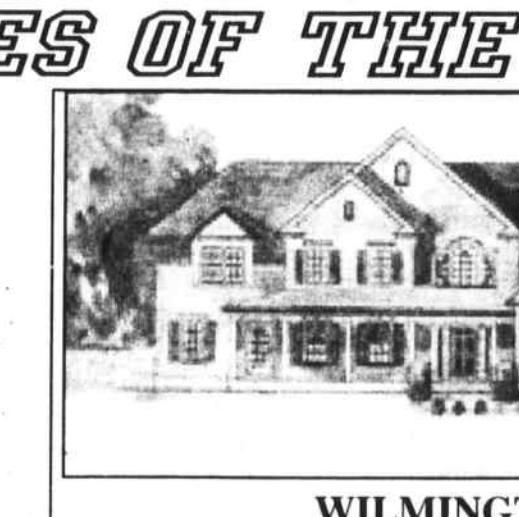
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Maple Meadow Landfill

Clash persists over imported soils

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Caira's letter.

"Nothing cited in your letter constitutes 'strong evidence' of non-compliance that the Town 'believes' exists," Fogel wrote.

Fogel states that the observation by Douglas and Lipman reflected a lack of understanding held by the town regarding the specification for vegetative layer materials.

Regarding the piles of debris cited in the town's letter, Fogel states that they were brought onto the site, in compliance with DEP regulations, for the purpose of maintaining road base at the landfill prior to the DEP's issuance of cessation of the importation of all but vegetative layer materials.

"Greater care should have been taken to get these facts straight before you published your accusation that MEA 'has not complied with DEP's requirements...,'" Fogel wrote.

Hannon says that he did not create the Maple Meadow problem; however, he is offering a solution, one that he believes won't cost the taxpayers of Wilmington any money.

Hannon has been in business for 14 years and has completed 8 similar projects to MML, all of which, he says, were completed under DEP regulations with DEP-accepted soils and with the full cooperation of the respective towns.

Hannon states that before the start of the MML project back in 2000, a public meeting was held in Wilmington in which three scenarios were presented to the citizens of the town: a minimum build-out, a medium build-out, and a worst case scenario.

"They were all happy that it would cost the town no money and agreed that it needed to be done. We told them at the meeting that we would be using contaminated soil and construction and demolition residuals and that it would be a possibility of 3 million yards of soil," said Hannon.

Hannon claims that no unfavorable comments were received and that the MML project started based on that meeting.

Two years later, Hannon saw an article in the Town Crier in which Suzanne Sullivan, now a selectwoman but then an activist, was shocked to find out that MEA was using contaminated soils at the MML.

"That is a lie," Hannon says. "That's when she started her 'Sullivan for selectman' campaign, riding on the lies that she didn't know what was going on out here and that now she is going to protect the town of Wilmington from the big bad Spinazzola project."

According to Hannon, the DEP agreed to the stock pile of soil to raise money for the environmental studies at the landfill.

"To date, I've spent $1.3 million in environmental studies," Hannon said. "Sullivan clearly lied to the residents of Wilmington, telling them that this is a bad project and bad for the aquifer. This is her own agenda and she could cost the taxpayers of Wilmington millions of dollars for her own private agenda."

Hannon has no intention of cooperating with the town at this point, since he views its attitude as becoming increasingly adversarial during the last year. He plans to be completely forthcoming with the DEP, but he will leave it to that agency to inform Wilmington whether any discrepancies exist.

"I'm at a zero tolerance for Suzanne Sullivan," Hannon says. "She has pushed this project back by a year. Does it make sense to leave this project sitting here for another year uncapped? The project would be substantially capped by now. Now it is another two years off."

Hannon remains skeptical that the town's recently enacted by-law would hold up in court.

"When it comes to the bylaw, the attorney general was pretty clear that this was a unique situation for a state-mandated project," says Hannon. "I am trying to force the town to act in one direction or the other. If you are going to enforce your bylaw and take us to court, then take us to court, and I can tell the Spinazzola family with a clear conscience that I can't complete the job."

Concludes Hannon, "I would like to know if Suzanne Sullivan has found a solution to any problems she has identified in the town. I think she only finds problems; she never finds solutions."

At press time, Sullivan was not available for comment.

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Leaflets on white supremacy distributed

Residents react to materials with repulsion

By STEPHEN BJORK

TEWKSBURY - The Tewksbury Police Department is considering the distribution of white supremacist literature throughout the north end of town last week to be an isolated incident.

According to Deputy Chief Timothy Sheehan, residents found racist literature in areas around River Road in north Tewksbury on Monday, February 16.

"It was most likely someone traveling from the Lowell area towards the Lawrence area (who) just dropped off packets as they went," said Sheehan.

No other areas of the town appear to have been affected by what residents considered to be hate literature.

"It appears that no one in Tewksbury was involved in the incident," said Sheehan.

According to police, every resident who logged a complaint with authorities did so with repulsion.

"This movement has no support in the Town of Tewksbury," said Sheehan.

The literature was distributed on lawns and driveways and contained three leaflets folded up and held in place with elastic in the way a newspaper might be delivered. Police sent samples of the leaflets to Town Manager David Cressman, Town Counsel and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Sheehan personally brought leaflets to the Postmaster General, but since mailboxes were not used to disseminate such materials, no mail regulations were violated.

According to Sheehan, the FBI is aware of the white supremacist organization that distributed the materials. The group is based in Arkansas and has a satellite in Haverhill. The FBI continues to monitor the group, but considers them to be non-violent at this time.

Sheehan has been led to believe that the entire Haverhill satellite for the group consists of one individual and that the distribution of the literature was done in an attempt to counter February's status as Black History Month.

The leaflets contained various pro-white agendas. Each had an application for membership to the so-called White Revolution.

A spokesperson for the Tewksbury School System confirmed Sheehan's statement that the incident was isolated and has created no fall-out in any other area of town or within the school system.

"I know this is news and you have to report on it," Sheehan told the Town Crier, "but with the television coverage showing close-up images of the leaflets and all of the attention from the newspapers, the group has probably reached 45,000 to 50,000 people instead of the 100 or so people that had received the literature. It's unfortunate."

The group's main office in Arkansas did not return messages. The group's website offers a contact name in Massachusetts, but lists only a P.O. Box to make contact. No telephone listing exists for the individual named as the Massachusetts contact in Haverhill or any of the surrounding towns.

Sons of Italy donates funds for new school playground

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be completed by the early summer or fall, hopefully in time for the first day of the new school year.

Nortonen, who is the principal of the North Intermediate School, is grateful for the donations and thrilled for her students.

"I feel blessed to be a member of the Sons of Italy, who have done much for the community," Nortonen says. "I feel doubly blessed because I'm the principal of the school, and the kids will be the direct beneficiary of the Sons of Italy's generosity."

Nortonen is not the only one who's grateful. Many of her students have written letters of appreciation to the members of the lodge.

"I just wanted to say thank-you," one student, Amanda, wrote to the Sons of Italy. "Never in my life have I been a part of anything this big."

"I can't tell you how much I and my class appreciate the money to get a new playground," a student named Shauna also wrote. "The other playground was getting so old and rusty."

What will this new playground look like? That's up to the kids. Town Engineer Sue Carlson plans to meet with students from each class at the school and find out what they would like to see included in the construction.

"They will have a direct part in the playground's construction," Nortonen says.

McCoy presented the members of the Sons of Italy with a Certificate of Appreciation. It was the latest of many that the community-based organization has received over the years. Previous donations from the Sons of Italy have included funds for a new cruiser for the safety officer of the Wilmington Police Department, the electronic scoreboard at the high school's football field, two thermal imaging cameras for the Wilmington Fire Department, the former handicapped-accessible van for the Elderly Services Department, coats for the Wilmington High School Band, and more.



Insurance Weekly

by Christina Miceli, CPCU, CIC, LIA

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Beginning in the late 1980s, life insurance buyouts appeared when companies called "viaticals" purchased the life insurance policies of AIDS sufferers, assuming a quick collection on the insurance payout. In the meantime, AIDS sufferers received cash to pay for medical care. Now, a new twist on this idea is the "life settlement," in which companies persuade seniors to sell their life insurance policies. While the purchasing company keeps paying the premiums and eventually collects on the insurance payout, sellers get a payout greater than the cash value of the policy. Elderly policyholders are advised to carefully assess this proposition, however, before they sell the benefits that can provide their survivors with important transitional money in the event of death.

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Board postpones vote on counsel funds

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legal services, which Caira predicted to be very similar to December's $25,000 legal bill.

The selectmen did not mention January's legal bill during their meeting this past Monday night and appeared not yet to have strategized with Town Counsel DeRensis.

On Monday night, though, Selectman Raymond Lepore recommended accepting Caira's recommendation, but Selectwoman Suzanne Sullivan suggested tabling the issue once again, in deference to Palmer, who had been vocal on the issue, but was absent from this meeting. McCoy echoed Sullivan's wishes, reiterating that Palmer should have an opportunity to be heard.

Sullivan's only concern involved whether the board would be afforded enough time to wait until the next meeting before making a decision on just how much needs to be appropriated for legal funds.

Caira advised the selectmen that they could indeed hold off their decision until their next meeting. He had alerted the Finance Committee that the board was in the process of debating the issue. According to Caira, the Finance Committee currently holds the position that the figure of $200,000 ought to be accepted, but that they could hold their ultimate recommendation until their March 18th meeting.

Selectman Raymond Lepore stood firm in his support of the town manager's proposed budget. He opined that $132,800 was no longer a viable salary for Town Counsel, especially when looking at some of the salaries being paid to other town employees. Lepore stated, for instance, that the Superintendent of Schools was recently hired at a salary of $135,000.

"If we can keep the legal budget at $200,000, then all hats off to us; we've done our job," Lepore said. "The more I've thought about it, I'm more than happy to work with that number."

Selectman Frank West broached the subject of strategizing with Town Counsel and stated a desire for a more detailed accounting of what work is being done under the retainer fee.

"Let's have Town Counsel come in to go over the charges on the bills that we've received since renegotiating the contract," West said.

West stated that perhaps some of the items that were being billed hourly might be able to fit under the retainer fee.

McCoy agreed and stated that he had already planned on sitting down with Town Counsel and the Town Manager to address similar questions that he had.

Sullivan suggested that a subcommittee, with two selectmen, be formed for the purpose of prioritizing the town's current legal case load. She stated that, at present, she was not familiar with the cases facing the town. She also doubted that her fellow selectmen were any better informed.

"The Board of Selectmen ought to know and it is inappropriate for other cases to go forward without knowing about them," Sullivan said.

McCoy agreed with Sullivan and felt that the board should contact Town Counsel for a briefing.

"(DeRensis) is the doctor in this," McCoy said. "He should give us a summarization of each case and, in his best legal opinion, he should tell us to pursue, settle, or drop."

It was agreed to table the issue until the next selectmen meeting to accommodate Selectman Palmer.

The town had hired Paul DeRensis of the firm of Deutsch, Williams, Brooks, DeRensis & Holland, P.C. (DWBDH) to the position of Wilmington's Town Counsel in June of 2003, with an agreed upon budget for legal services of $132,800.

In December of 2003, the board voted 4 to 1, with Selectman Robert Palmer as the lone dissenter, to accept a revised agreement presented by DeRensis halfway through his term.

The new agreement, which was voted to be retroactive to December 1, 2003, includes a lower retainer fee, but bills hourly for litigation at a rate of $160 per hour. That hourly rate increased to $165 in January of 2004 and does not stipulate any sort of monetary cap.

The board's decision to accept the new agreement stemmed from the assertion of DeRensis that the town of Wilmington faced serious legal issues above and beyond what would normally be expected for a town of its size. During the renegotiation of the contract, DeRensis maintained that he was never informed of the extent of legal services that would be required to effectively protect the legal standing of the town prior to his acceptance of the appointment. DeRensis told the board that in only five months his firm had lost approximately $110,000 as a result of the then-existing $132,800 budget.

Cain dealership granted license

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brother, Robert, who served on the Board of Selectmen for 25 years. Selectman Robert Palmer was unable to attend the board's meeting on Monday night.

Selectwoman Suzanne Sullivan provided the lone dissenting vote. She was concerned that the dealership would be in violation of the town's bylaws if granted a Class II Garage License, which permits businesses to sell used cars. The town's current bylaws allow businesses to sell used cars only as a secondary measure to their principal function.

Cain countered that he would not be in violation since his business is protected by the "grandfather clause" because it was established prior to the town's current bylaws. Cain noted that Building Inspector Daniel Paret concurs that his business is indeed protected.

During the selectmen meeting on Monday night, Town Manager Michael Caira presented Cain and the board with some correspondence that he had received just hours earlier by Attorney John Hucksam, who works for Deutsch-Williams, the firm that serves as Wilmington's town counsel.

The town had requested an opinion from Hucksam on February 5 in regard to Cain's application for a Class II license. In the letter received on Monday, Hucksam states, "There is no indication in the facts we have been provided that the applicant is not a proper person to engage in the business of buying and selling second-hand motor vehicles."

Also in the letter, Hucksam opines that it was within the authority of the Board of Selectmen to grant Cain his requested license if its members are satisfied with the verification of the facts presented in the application. Furthermore, such authority exists provided that Cain meet such requirements as issuing a "bond or certificate of deposit or irrevocable letter of credit." Cain told the board that he had issued a bond back in October.

Sullivan pressed her concerns further and stated that she was not ready to deny or issue Cain a license until she had more information in regard to whether any problems existed between the business owner and the town's bylaws.

"The building inspector told you we're exempt from the bylaws, the town counsel told you we're exempt from the bylaws, what can I tell you?" Cain asked Sullivan.

The abutters to the dealership on Main Street were notified about Monday's public hearing at the selectmen meeting, but none of them attended to voice concerns or opposition to Cain's intentions.

In the end, Selectmen Lepore and West were persuaded by the assessments given by Paret and Hucksam and provided the majority needed to grant Cain the license.

The board issued Cain a three-month Class I license on January 12 after first denying him a renewal when other local businesses were afforded one before the turn of the year. Cain was denied a license renewal because his dealership no longer holds a franchise agreement with a manufacturer of new automobiles. From when it first received a Class I license in 1940 until 1999, Cain's dealership had sold new Chryslers. The Cains and Chrysler parted company in 1999 after the former rejected the latter's offer to relocate to Lowell.

According to Cain, he figured he'd apply for the Class II license because the three-month Class I license issued to him by the board in January is set to expire on April 12. That date will arrive on the heels of March 31, the day by which Cain must have his dealer's plates renewed by the Registry of Motor Vehicles. In order to complete that process by March 31, Cain needs to submit his application for renewal to the Registry by March 5.

At the meeting on Monday night, Cain stated that he does not have a "firm agreement" with a car manufacturer at this time.

Cain will maintain his current Class I license until its expiration on April 12. The newly granted Class II Garage License will expire on December 31, 2004.

Selectmen candidates will debate on March 29

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nomination papers so that she may pursue one of the three three-year seats that are available on the School Committee. Kane joins incumbent Joan Duffy, who a few weeks ago declared her plans to run and keep her seat on the committee. To date, fellow School Committee incumbents Suzanne Cushing and Stephen Peterson have not yet announced bids for re-election.

John Goggin will be seeking a five-year seat on the Redevelopment Authority. The current occupant of that seat, Christopher Barry, has yet to decide whether he wants to serve another term.

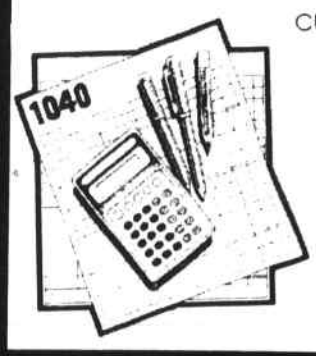
Robert Peterson, an incumbent on the Regional Vocational Technical School Committee, has pulled nomination papers in his bid for another three-year stint. So far, a challenger has not emerged.

In order to appear as a candidate on the ballot, office seekers must obtain a nomination form from the office of Town Clerk Kay Scanlon at the Town Hall on Glen Road. Office seekers must return those forms with signatures from 50 registered voters no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 1.

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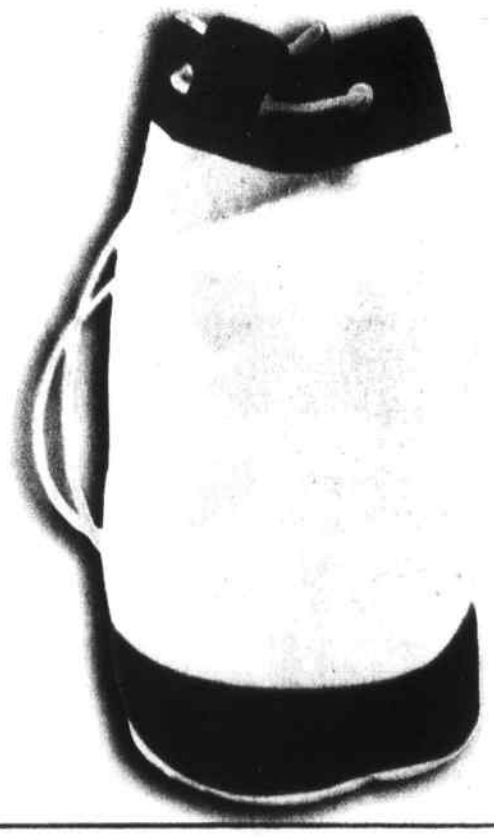
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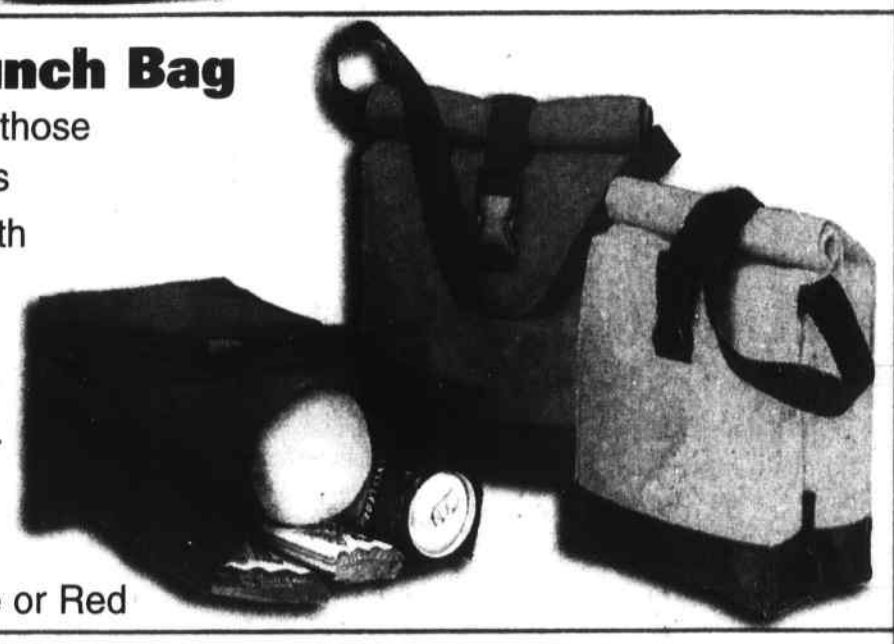
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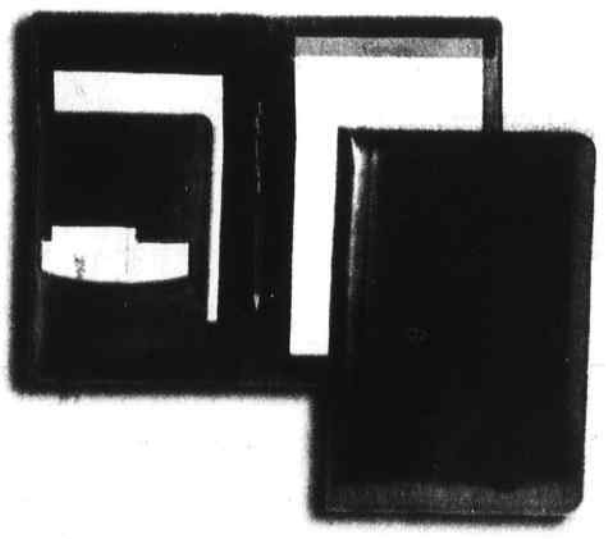
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Wildcats win first round tournament game

Not the prettiest of victories

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

At this point of the season, late February, it doesn't matter the score, the stats or how it was done. Just as long as the execution turns into the 'W'. That's what the Wilmington High boys basketball team did on Tuesday night.

The No. 1 seeded Wildcats overtook the No. 16 seed Wayland, 52-39, in the first round of the Division 3 North state tournament played in front of a packed house at the Cushing Memorial Gymnasium. Wilmington didn't play its best game, but in the end that doesn't matter. All that does is advancing.

With the victory, the 'Cats will play home again (not announced yet, for most up to date postings log on to "massachusettsihigh.- com") most likely Saturday night against the winner of Wednesday's game between Pentucket and Greater Lawrence. Wilmington lost to Pentucket earlier in the season.

"A win is a win at this point," said coach Jim McCune. "I don't know but it seemed obvious to me that the kids were a little nervous. It didn't help that Zach (Mitzan) had a bloody nose before the game and it took a long time trying to stop it. But I told the kids that anytime you hold a team to 39 points, you have a very good chance of winning and that's what happened tonight."

Junior Eric Olilla exploded for his best game of the season. He ended the night with 22 points, including scoring 10-of-the-first-11 second half points. His performance, and the team's entire effort in the defensive zone was the difference, despite the sloppy all-around play of the team.

"I just think we did a lot of things out of the ordinary," said McCune. "Maybe we got caught up in the moment a little bit. All that matters is we're moving on. We can put this behind us and look towards the next round."

Wilmington got off to a real slow start trailing 9-5 through the first six minutes of play. After Olilla drove the lane and scored on a nice left handed drive, Wilmington started to take off as they went on a 15-0 run pushing the lead to 20-9 over the next five minutes. Mitzan had two separate baskets intight in the run, while the big hoops came from sophomore Joe Herra, who drained two treys in a 90 second span.

"Those were huge," said McCune.

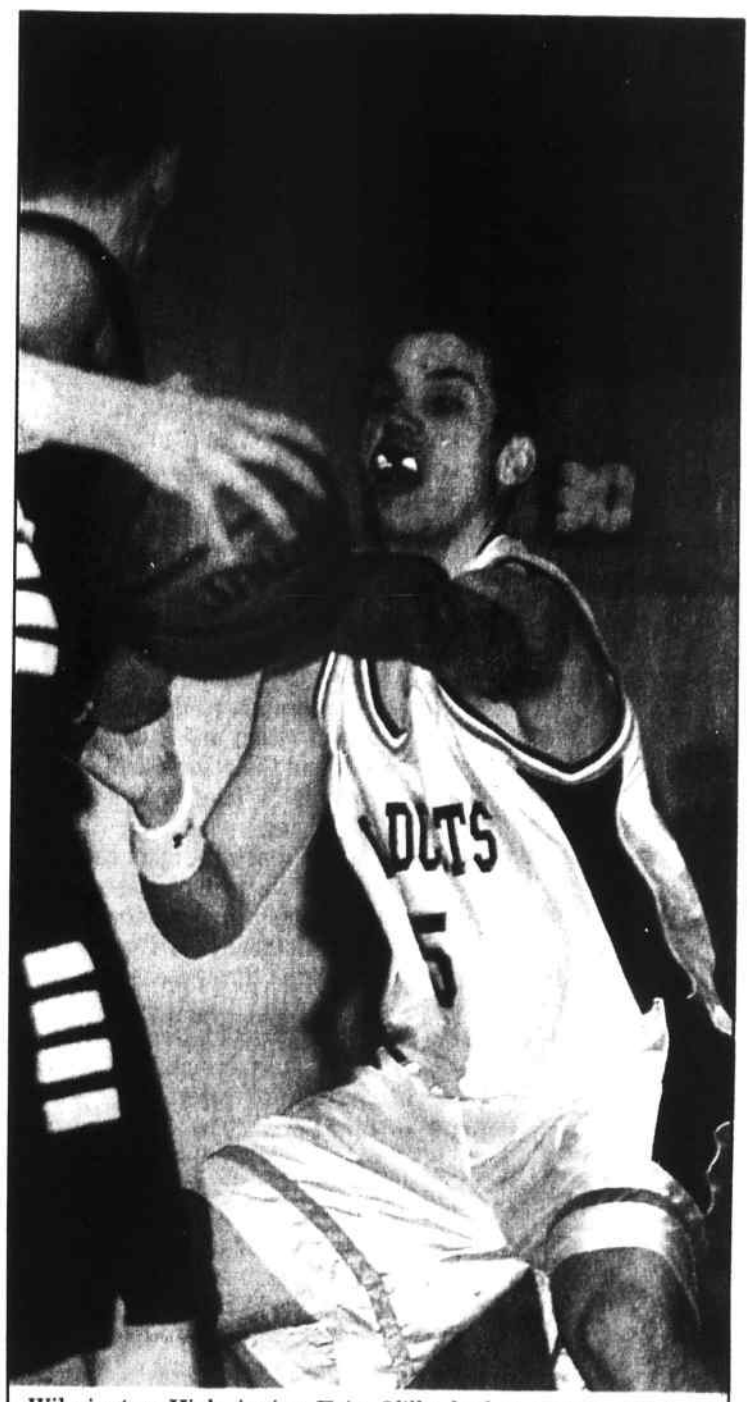
Wilmington held on for a 25-14 lead at the halftime break, and went to Olilla who carried the weight on his shoulders for the brunt of the second half. He scored four straight field goals to begin the second half, the first on a jumper, the second on a steal and lay-up, the third on a nice pass from Derek Trueira and the fourth on a put back.

Two minutes later after Wayland cut it to ten points, Mike Kelley seemed to put the nail in the coffin when he drained a three-pointer making it 41-26 with 7:05 to go forcing Wayland to call a timeout.

Although Wayland outscored the 'Cats 13-11 the rest of the way which included cutting it back to ten at 44-34 with 3:57 to go, Olilla finished off what he started with two free throws and a beautiful end-to-end drive.

Ollila had a game high 22 points and also had 7 rebounds. Mitzan ended with 17 points and 5 rebounds for the majority of the 'Cats points.

Wayland was led by senior Dewey Rosenfield, who had 18 points.



Wilmington High junior Eric Olilla had a career night on Tuesday scoring 22 points and leading the Wildcats past Wayland, 52-39 in the first round of the Division 3 North Sectional tournament. The 'Cats advance to the second round and face the winner of Wednesday's game between Pentucket and Greater Lawrence. with the date and time yet to be announced. The second round game will be played at WHS.
(photo by Jessica Stygles).

Olilla scores 22 to push 'Cats to second round

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Sometimes he tries to do too much and his game gets a little away from him. But when he lets his athleticism do the work, Eric Olilla is something to watch. And boy was he that good on Tuesday night.

In the opening round of the Division 3 North sectional tournament, the junior forward/guard had a career high 22 points as he led Wilmington to a 52-39 victory over Wayland.

"All year round we've had different guys pick up the team whether it's been Zach (Mitzan), Danny (Hurley), Mike Kelley's had a great year and Derek Trueira, but tonight Eric was the guy who picked us up," said coach Jim McCune. "He was unbelievable tonight. He's the reason why we're still playing. He's athletic, he's big and he was just tremendous tonight."

Ollila has many strengths on the court. His athleticism sticks out. His ability to jump, block shots, his quickness and his drives to the baskets all stand out. Defensively, he's extremely good and continues to get better and better. On the flip side. sometimes he gets a little inconsistent, trying to do too much which forces some turnovers or bad shot selections. Tuesday night, he put it all together and delivered the home run he and the team was looking for.

"Yeah (I do go in spurts)," he said. "Tonight I guess I was just in a zone. You start to play and you just get that feeling."

The first half began extremely sloppy for both teams. Wilmington trailed 9-5 through the first six minutes and needed a huge pick me up. Olilla delivered as he scored on a beautiful left handed drive which began a 15-0 run by the 'Cats, who never looked back after that.

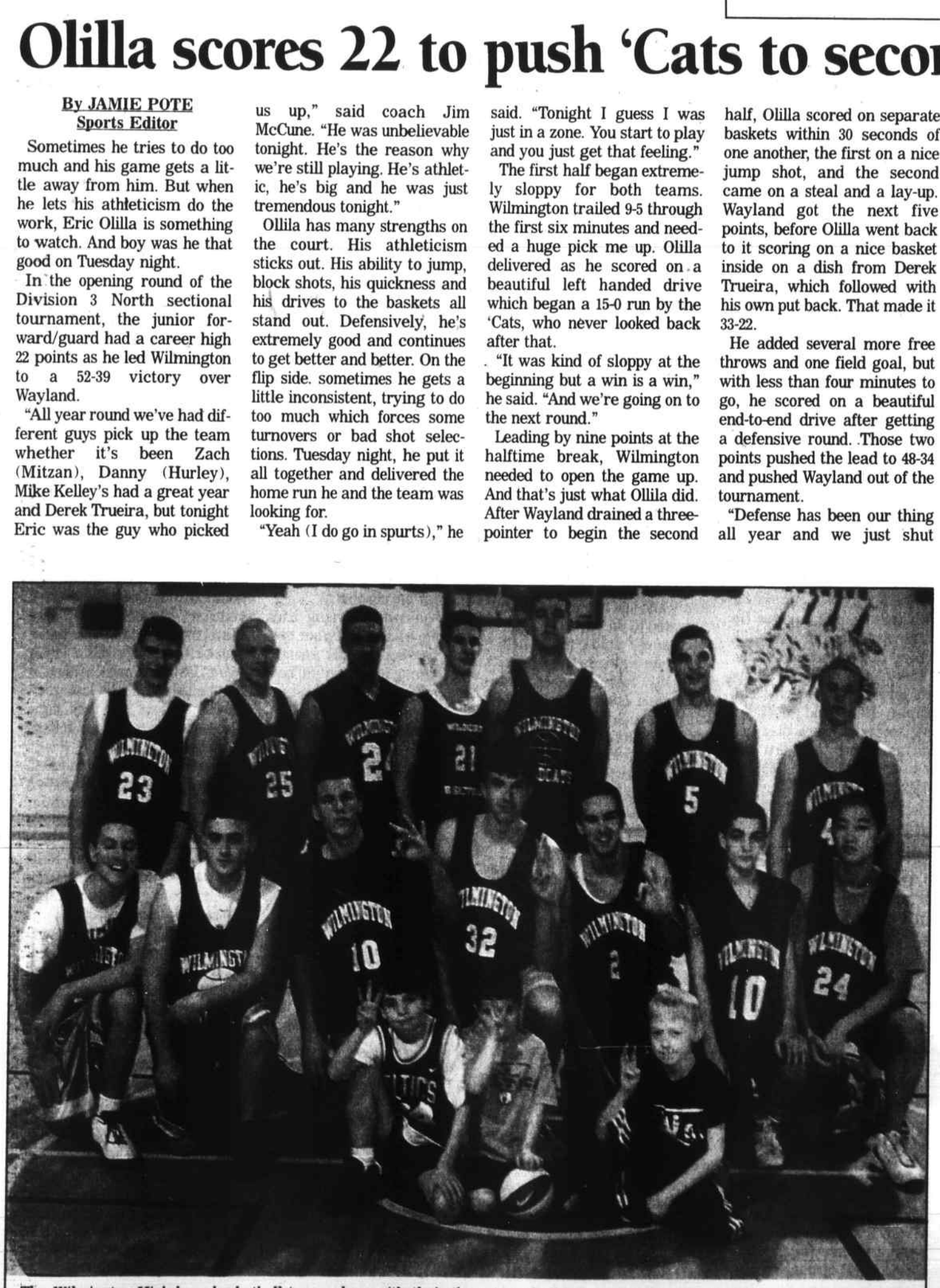
"It was kind of sloppy at the beginning but a win is a win," he said. "And we're going on to the next round."

Leading by nine points at the halftime break, Wilmington needed to open the game up. And that's just what Ollila did. After Wayland drained a three-pointer to begin the second half, Olilla scored on separate baskets within 30 seconds of one another, the first on a nice jump shot, and the second came on a steal and a lay-up. Wayland got the next five points, before Olilla went back to it scoring on a nice basket inside on a dish from Derek Trueira, which followed with his own put back. That made it 33-22.

He added several more free throws and one field goal, but with less than four minutes to go, he scored on a beautiful end-to-end drive after getting a defensive round. Those two points pushed the lead to 48-34 and pushed Wayland out of the tournament.

"Defense has been our thing all year and we just shut teams down," he said. "Tonight we held them to 39 and that's just awesome. Coach said that as long as we 'D' up, run the floor and rebound that we can go all the way. We just have to keep feeding Zach and Danny inside and keep letting Kelley take those shots from the outside."

Eric Olilla's right on all of that ... should all of that happen, and he continues to play with composure, this team could certainly go a long way.



The Wilmington High boys basketball team, along with their three team ball boys, were crowned the league champions for the third straight year last week in a win over North Andover. On Tuesday they defeated Wayland in the first round of the state tournament to improve to 18-3 on the season.
(photo by Maureen Lamoureux).

Girls Hoop team to face HW

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The Wilmington High girls basketball and girls hockey teams both qualified for the state tournament and they both will begin play this week.

The girls basketball team finished the regular season with an 11-9 record and were seeded seventh in the Division 3 North sectional tournament. On Wednesday night, while this paper is being printed, the Lady 'Cats hosted Hamilton-Wenham, the 10th seed who ended the season with a 10-10 record.

Wilmington faced Hamilton-Wenham twice this season and lost both times. The 'Cats started this season off with a 1-5 record before finishing 10-4 in the final 14 games. Should they defeat HW, they'll advance to the second round play for the first time in almost a decade and face the second seeded Newburyport Clippers, also of the Cape Ann League, who also defeated the 'Cats earlier this season.

The girls hockey team drew a first round bye in the Division 2 tournament (no North or South sections). They were seeded No. 1 after finishing with a 17-3 overall record. They will face the winner of Thursday's match-up between Andover and Marblehead with the day, time and location yet to be announced (most likely Saturday or Sunday at Watertown).

Mello has a Sweet finish on her birthday

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Usually when teenagers turn Sweet 16, they get a party, a car or some kind of present. Jackie Mello decided she didn't want any of that. She wanted a trip instead ... a trip to the New England Meet.

Mello finished in fourth place of the 55-meter dash with a personal best time of 7.50 seconds during Friday night's All-State Track-and-Field competition held at the Reggie Lewis Center in Roxbury. By placing fourth, she advances to this Friday's New England Meet. She is now the fourth best 55 meter dash sprinter in the entire state, while she's just a sophomore and she's the first female advance to the NE Meet in at least the past decade.

"It was a good 16th birthday present," she said.

Mello was seeded 6th going into the meet and only the top five in each event advance to the NE Meet. In the pre-liminaries she finished fourth behind Arantka King of Medford, Alexandra Mack of Masconomet and Katrina Lutkus of Lowell. In the semi-finals, she was fifth. But she saved her best for last for the final race of the night. She ended up taking fourth trailing King (7.14), Shanika Pitts (7.35) of Oliver Ames and Dionise Miranda (7.45) of Brockton.

"The best part about it is Jackie beat the Masco girl (Mack) who she lost to last week and in the CAL's and the East Longmeadow girl (Kara Budd) who she lost to last week," said coach Tom Bradley. "It's the first time since I've been the coach that a girl has qualified for the New Englands. She's in elite company. She was the sixth seed out of 24 competitors and for her to place fourth, while being a sophomore against what she was up against I think really says something."

Mello said that in the final race she started off a little slow but was able to get her legs going and finish with her personal best time by four hundredths of a second.

"I got off slow and once I saw the Masco girl ahead of me, I was able to pull it out in the end," she said. "I was hoping I would place but I just didn't know if I would be in front of or behind those other girls. Once I finished I knew right away I was in, and once I saw my name go on the board it like 'oh yes'."

Said Bradley, "The end of the race was so close and at the time I thought she was sixth or seventh. But her Dad (Steve) had it videotaped and you could clearly see that she was fourth, but everyone came across together so fast."

Now Mello has a few more days to gear up for a much larger challenge, facing the best from the entire New England Region.

"I worked out with Coach Bradley (on Tuesday) and (teammate) Debbie Lyons has been helping me," said Mello. "I'm working on starts and leans, and then I'll do a lot of sprints and stairs."

Added Bradley, "I haven't seen anything posted yet for seeds so I have no idea what she'll be up against. But just getting there says a lot."

Correction

In last week's track article, Eric Pelletier was left off of the results. He fnished 13th in the 55-meter hurdles at the State Class C Meet. We apologize for the error.

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Matt McManus gives helping hand to Jason Bere

The road back to the Big Leagues

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

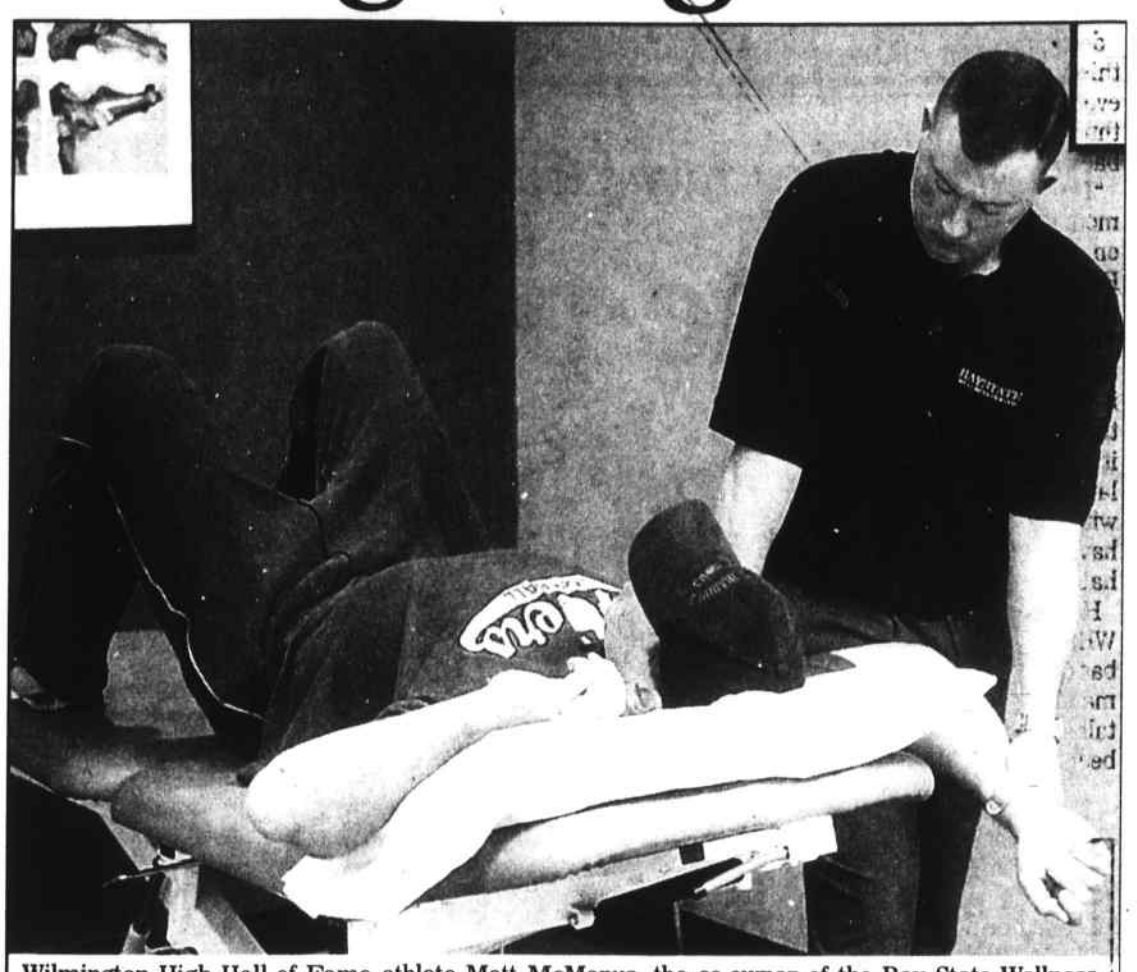
WOBURN – They both grew up in the same town, both graduated from the same high school and both threw off the same pitcher's mound. Now nearly a dozen years later, they reunite together because of their love for the game of baseball and because of their long lasting friendship.

Jason Bere graduated from WHS in 1989 after a solid varsity career for the Wildcats under former head coach Dick Scanlon. Matt McManus, also pitched under Scanlon and had a terrific career before he graduated in 1992.

Bere went on to pitch at Middlesex Community College, before being drafted by the Chicago Whitesox. He's now about to pitch in his 12th professional baseball season. But in order to due that he needed some help, so he called a lifelong friend. While on his honeymoon this past August, McManus received a phone call from Bere, who said he needed help rehabilitating his right shoulder after surgery.

McManus, who went onto to pitch and earn a physical therapy degree from Northeastern University, is now a co-owner of Baystate Wellness Center in Woburn. One simple phone call has resulted in six months of hard work and training between the two of them.

Two weeks ago was the last session between the two to help Bere regain his major league form that saw him win 12 games three different times, and compile a 71-65 record with 920 career strikeouts between time with the Chicago Whitesox, Chicago Cubs, Milwaukee Brewers, Cincinnati Reds and now he's in his second stint with the Cleveland Indians.



Wilmington High Hall of Fame athlete Matt McManus, the co-owner of the Bay State Wellness Center in Woburn, works on Jason Bere, a former WHS baseball player who will be entering his 12th major league season. (photo by Brownphoto.com).

The setback began in April

After the 2002 season which Bere finished with a 1-11 record for the Cubs, he signed a minor league contract with Cleveland, after spending a half of season there in 2000 where he went 6-3 in 11 regular season starts coming over in a trade. The entire 2002 season didn't go as planned for Bere, who tore up his groin and was limited to just 16 starts. In spring training last year, Bere won one of the starting rotation spots for a very young Cleveland team. He made only two starts and pitched less than seven combined innings because of constant pain he was having in his pitching arm.

"I first felt it after spring training," Bere said. "In my first start I really felt it and I flew back to Cleveland and the doctors said I had a tear in my labrum. They said I could either rest it and see if it would get better, or have surgery. I tried to rest it. I tried to do rehab and it didn't work. There was no question that it was torn.

"I remember making one start in rehab and it never felt right and the wheels kept spinning off. I tried to pitch in Detroit and I practically couldn't even reach the catcher."

He ended up having surgery on his right shoulder on June 11. From there he was told that he couldn't throw a baseball for four months. That's when rehabilation came in.

"You start rehabilation two days later (after surgery)," said Bere. "The simplest of exercises but you can't throw a baseball for four months. Where I'm at now after four months is just amazing. I ended up staying in Cleveland (after the surgery) because I wanted to be with the team.

"I came back here in August and I wanted a physical therapist here to work on me so that's why I called Matt. I knew he would be the perfect person to help me."

Bere has battled all kinds of injuries. In 1996, he had surgery on his right elbow and it took him nearly two years to come back at full strength. He was healthy for the 2000 season which he finished with a 12-10 record splitting the season with Milwaukee and Cleveland. That off-season he signed a two-year, $5.6 million dollar contract with the Cubs. He went 11-11 in his first season, before suffering the groin injury in his second season.

He's made just two appearances in the past year-and-a-half and he's dying to get back in there. But he realizes that injuries take time to heal, especially this one.

"Injuries get me in trouble," he said. "I always think I can get through them. This time though the doctor said there was no way and I had to get surgery. I've never meet a baseball player who hasn't had the slightest thing wrong with them. But I had to shut it down.

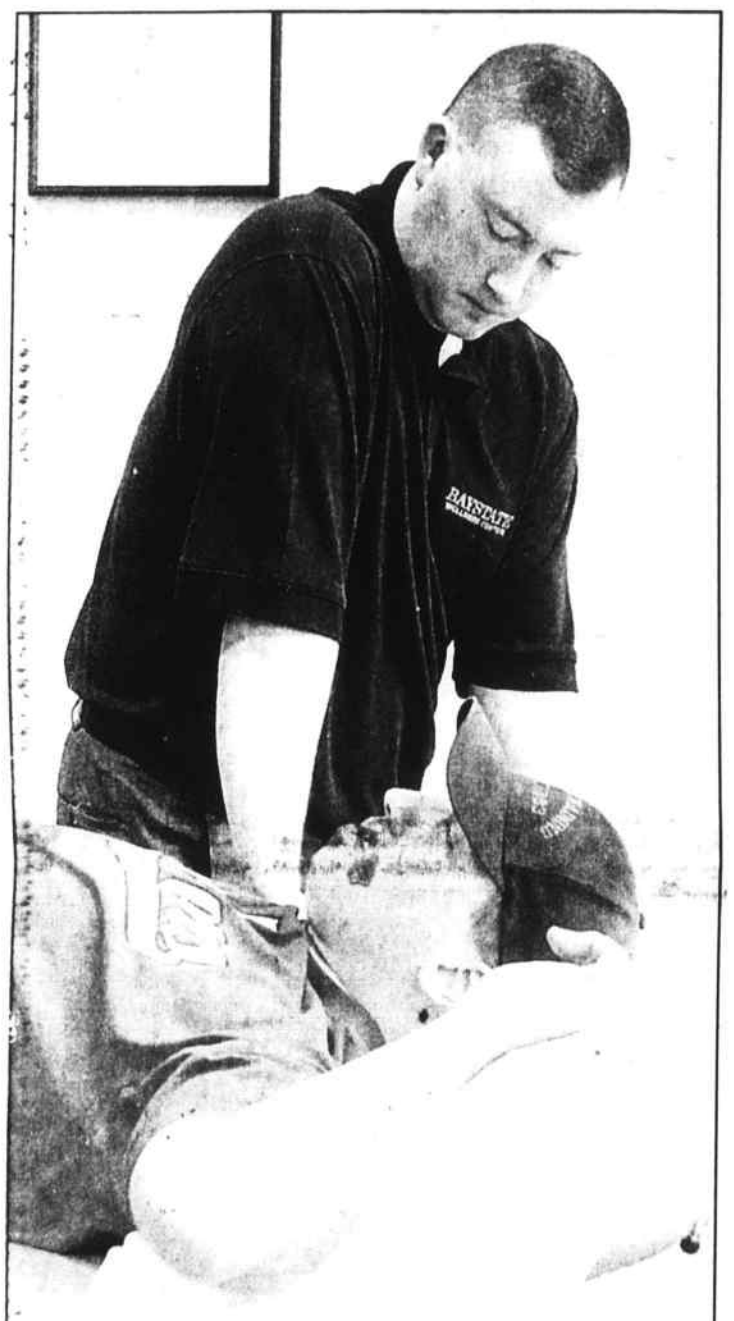
"I don't know how many times I went out on the mound where something was hurting me. I just always think I can get through it and I can still get the job done."

With three major injuries in his 12 seasons in the Big Leagues, not to mention stints on the disabled lists, rehab starts and trips to the physical therapist, Bere said mentally those set backs are just as tough as trying to figure out how to strikeout Jason Giambi or Alex Rodriguez.

"The first couple years I pitched real well," he said. "There's been stretches of times when I haven't pitched well. I've certainly stunk up the joint when I'm healthy, and I know I've pitched poorly when I've been hurt. But you get to a point where nothing hurts. You're an athlete and there hasn't been a time in 20 years where nothing has hurt me.

"I know without my right arm that I'm useless in this sport. I'm only good to a team when I'm throwing the ball. I don't have much if I'm not throwing well. I don't hit, field or anything else. I pitch and in order me to do it well I need to be healthy.

"The toughest part is mentally. The physical aspect isn't all that bad, it's the mental part. You come in here (to therapy) and there's all of these repetitive steps and exercises you have to do to build up the muscle and you get fed up with it. But then you realize that by doing all of this stuff, you will only reap the benefits by being able to go back on the mound and pitch again."



For the past six months, Jason Bere has had to rehab his right pitching shoulder after having surgery last June. Here, Matt McManus does some exercises with him to strengthen it during a session at the Bay State Wellness Center in Woburn. (photo by Brownphoto.com).

The road back to the mound

Bere called McManus, who was on his honeymoon in August. Immediately McManus said he would assist Bere, but first got him set up with his partner, Mike Mulrenan, who founded Bay State Wellness Center for two weeks until McManus returned from his trip.

After graduating from Northeastern in 1999, McManus spent a year pitching professionally in Holland. He came back to Wilmington and assisted Scanlon on the varsity baseball team. Last year McManus was inducted into the Wilmington High Athletic Hall of Fame for being a three-sport athlete.

Since then he's been a physical therapist. Now in Woburn for the past two years, McManus specializes in orthopedic rehabilation, sports injuries and injuries to the spine.

The BayState Wellness Center is a 3,000 square foot facility and it offers all kinds of fitness, therapy and rehabilation programs. McManus joined up with his friend Mike Mulrenan. The two of them have worked on high school, college and professional athletes and teams whether it's been therapy work, rehabilation work or just getting them into better shape to perform on the athletic fields.

"Rehabbing an athlete and getting the athlete to understand from a medical standpoint is the hardest part to the job," said McManus. "You need the athlete to be motivated. We're not a coach or a parent. You want them to progress efficiently and you need them to be motivated to do that."

McManus said that he's worked on all kinds of athletes. He said members of the Wilmington High girls basketball team such as Lani Cabral-Pini and Alicia Murray have come in after ankle injuries. McManus has worked with several hundred collegiate athletes, as well as entire teams such as the Bentley College Women's soccer team and the Dual State Huskies hockey team. He said that being an athlete himself drew him to this field.

"Now I'm on the other side of it," he said. "I try to get the athletes back on the field as fast as I can. When they excel after that it gets to be a personal satisfaction knowing that I had something to do with it. I know I'm not the man, but I'm just a person helping and guiding them along and it's nice to assist in that process.

"It's nice to have relationships with area athletes, coaches, athletic directors who are all home based."

Home base is where he and Bere began to be friends. Bere was a senior at WHS, when McManus was a freshman. Although they didn't pitch together on the same team they were friends from the community, who kept in touch after high school was over.

When Bere decided to come back home to continue his rehabilation process, it didn't take long for him to decide where to go.

"Matt's been great," said Bere. "I left Cleveland in the end of August and I needed to find someone here at home that was hopefully qualified. I wasn't going to do the rehab just so I could swing around the golf clubs. This is my job, pitching is my job.

"I needed someone who was qualified and I knew about Matt's background so I called him up. He told me that he would do whatever he thought would help me. He's kept in touch with the therapists at Cleveland and they think he's doing a terrific job of helping me. He has exercises they don't have or even know about. Matt's just adding to the program and I need to go forward and he's helping me do that."

McManus said that he's just trying to keep things simple for Bere.

"It's Jason's job to take his (rehabilation) and be able to extend it out and take it to a higher level," said McManus. "His motivation is well beyond anything. His responsibility is one of the reasons why he's ahead of schedule. He understands that he needs to be fully healthy, and have a good year so he can sign a multi-year contract and ride out his career.

"He knows that he has to motivate himself, and he knows when I have to progress him and when I have to hold him back. He understands the big picture and that makes it so much easier.

"I've kept in touch with the Indians' head trainer and he tells me different things he is looking for. The line of communication needs to be there and it's great having that."

Bere said that coming back home to do three or four sessions a week for six months wasn't going to be easy. So having a buddy who he could share laughs with made it all that much easier.

"Mentally it helps a lot (being here with Matt)," said Bere. "Everything is so monotonous here and it's mentally painful....It's been great here with him. I can't believe it's over and I'm leaving here for spring training."

Cleveland here we come

Bere left for Spring Training shortly after his final stint with McManus about two weeks ago. Even though he's an 11-year veteran who has won 71 games in his career playing for a team that won just 68 games last year, Bere has to prove himself all over again. The Indians coaches and administrative staff knows what he can do, but he has to go out there and prove it once again.

"I battle for a spot every spring training," he said. "I haven't pitched in almost a year-and-a-half so I have to battle. With my experience and what I can accomplish when I'm healthy should be enough to get one of the spots, as long as I prove I am healthy. I never go in taking anything for granted. I was a 36th round draft choice and I've never been given an opportunity to take things for granted. I need to get my work done."

He has strong opposition as Cleveland has built a strong young pitching staff behind guys like CC Sebathia, Jake Westbrook, Cliff Lee and Jason Davis. Cleveland decided to resign several veterans such as Bere and Holyoke native Mark Wohlers -- who has gone through very similar problems as Bere has – to add some experience to the staff.

"I spoke with (manager) Eric Wedge and (general manager Mark) Shapiro before I left (to come back here in August) and I told them that I really appreciated the way they treated me and that they are a first class organization," said Bere. "I had signed a one year deal with them (before last season) and I was hurt and they could've easily said see ya later to me. But throughout the injury they were always interested in how I was feeling. I told them that if there was a spot in the rotation (this season), a legitimate shot, that I'd like a chance to come back.

"Right after the season was over, they offered me a minor league contract. It wasn't guaranteed but I said to my agent, 'let's do it'. It's about honesty. This is what I want to do. I don't do it for the money and I never have done it for the money. I go through this every day and if I wasn't at the top of my game or feel that I couldn't be at the top of my game I wouldn't be doing this.

"There's nothing like being out on a big league field pitching. There's no feeling like it."

The American League Central is wide open this season. Minnesota and Chicago dumped a lot of salaries and veteran players, just like Cleveland did a few years back. Kansas City surprised a lot of teams last year and challenged for the title until the last week of the season, but they have also gone through a lot of personnel changes.

Cleveland has some talented players on the roster, between Milton Bradley, Sebathia, Casey Blake. But the health of several players such as Bob Wickman, Omar Vizquel, Matt Lawton, Ricky Gutierrez, Wohlers and Bere could put them back into contention.

"No team just goes out there and wins," said Bere. "It's a team that goes out there and works that wins. We have a lot of young guys and when you're young you have to learn to be a winner and it's tough to learn that. It's everyday. It's not about one game, or one good series - it's everyday. That's a big difference and people don't realize that. You could get three hits in a game and nothing for two weeks, but the guy who gets a hit every game for two weeks is much better to have because he's more consistent everyday.

"We are young, talented and have a lot of arms and Wedge demands the game to be played the right way."

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Matt McManus gives helping hand to Jason Bere

The road back to the Big Leagues

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doesn't go on that list again this season and he's done everything he's been asked to thus far in his incredible road back to recovery.

"I've been throwing off the mound now for the past month on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays," he said. "I throw 15 pitches each time - two sets of 30. I'm at probably 80 percent right now. I haven't been airing it out. I feel real good and I'm throwing my off-speed stuff but it's still a matter of the rehabilation process. I have to stick with what I'm told to do. I haven't pitched in a year-and-a-half."

He's been making trips to the WHS gymnasium, waiting for basketball games or wrestling matches to get over. There he talks to the janitors who have been so great to him, while he also can look up on the wall and see his jersey No. 46 on the wall of retired numbers at the school. While he does that, he tosses the baseball into the catcher's mitt of whoever will catch him for the day, and that makes everything in life so much easier to take.

"I'm 32 years old and I still have a few years left," he said. "I've pitched well, I've pitched in all-star game and I've pitched in the playoffs. I've also stunk up the joint and I've pitched when I've been hurt. People have cheered me and I've heard my share of boos as well. When things are going well they put you up on a level and when things are going bad they think they know you by your baseball personality. They krow nothing about me. They don't know what kind of father, husband, friend or teammate that I am. Because of baseball they feel like they know my personality and they don't."

On the flip side of that, between being healthy, being injured, making rehab starts, physical therapy appearances, or being on a last place team, a first place team and all of the extra things that go along a major league baseball player's everyday scheme, Bere said there's still plenty left in his tank before he walks away for good.

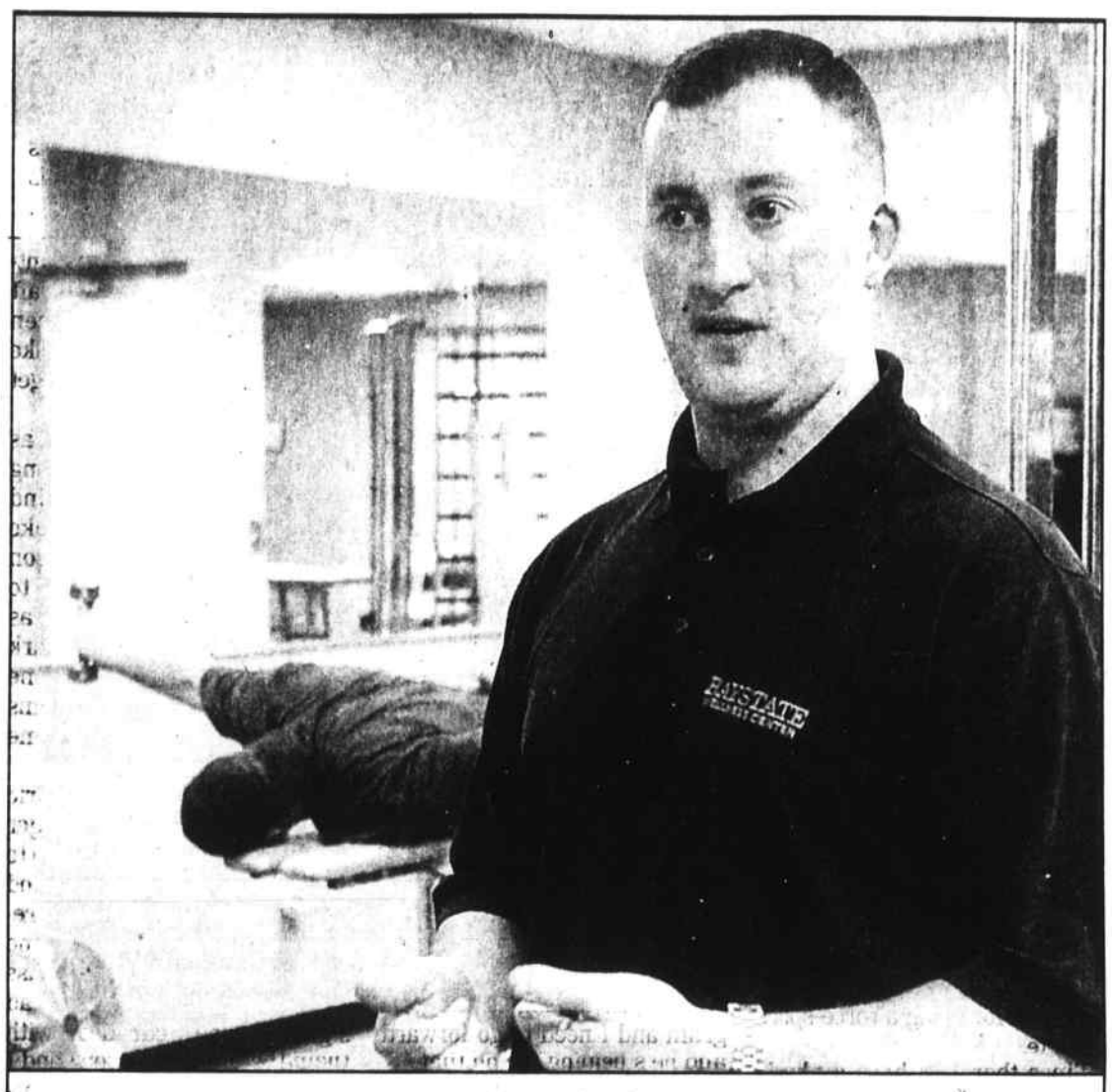
"I've accomplished some things but there's still more that I want to accomplish," he said. "I still want to do this. There's nothing like being out there on a big league mound. You have the ball and you are running the whole thing."

And thanks to a good friend Matt McManus, Jason Bere will be able to run the whole show again beginning this spring



Former Wilmington High baseball pitcher Jason Bere (second from left) has been in physical therapy for the past six months getting his right shoulder back to form so he can begin his 12th major league season in professional baseball with the Cleveland Indians. During his six months of rehab at the Bay State Wellness Center in Woburn, he got a surprise visit from former teammate, and current Chicago Cubs ace pitcher Kerry Wood (second from right). Pictured with the two hurlers, are Mike Mulrenan (left) and Matt McManus (right), the co-owners of the Bay State Wellness Center. McManus worked with McManus for the past six months.

(courtesy photo)



Wilmington High School Hall of Fame Athlete Matt McManus explains the work he has done helping Jason Bere get his shoulder back to strength so he can pitch in the big leagues once again.

(photo by Brownphoto.com).

Wildcats building a dynasty

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA

In today's sports world, it seems like success is a revolving door. Dynasties are virtually extinct. You won't see teams go on to rip off four or five championships in a row. This is especially true on the high school level. With players in and out every year, teams can't base their success on one player. This obviously isn't a problem for the Wilmington High boys varsity basketball team.

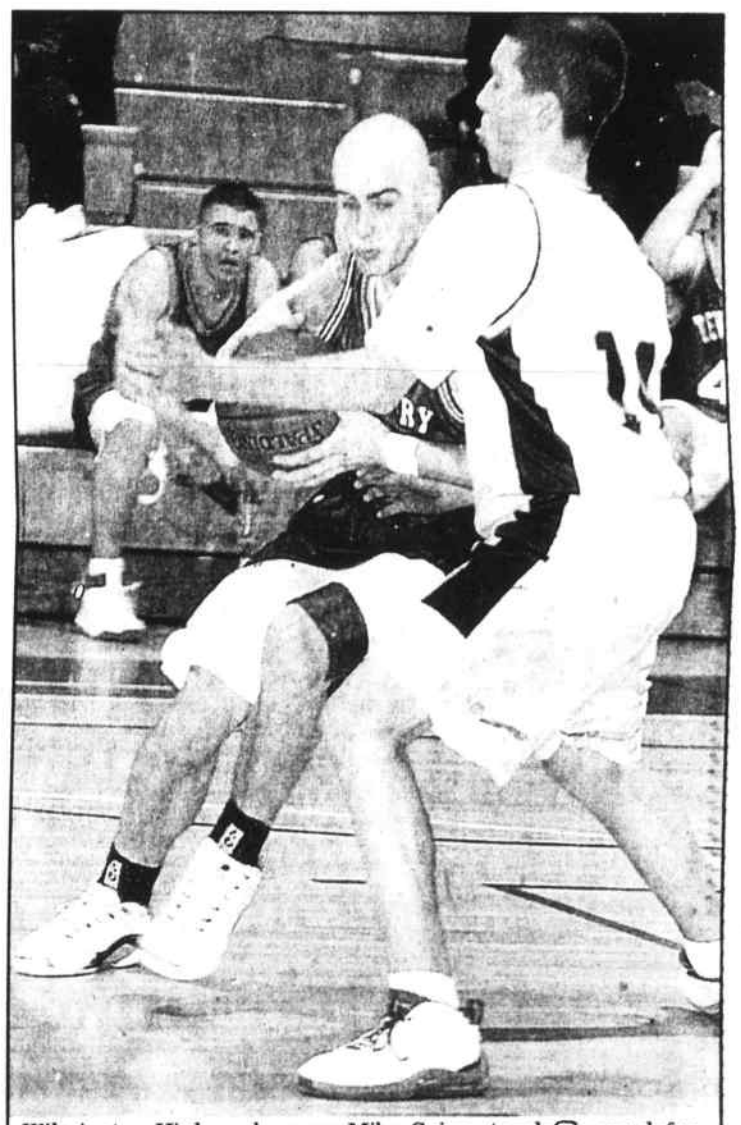
Bostonians remember when the Celtics staged an improbable 16 championship run over a few decades. That will never happen again. Right now, the Wildcats are rising through the ranks of history. Maybe, just maybe, this team could be a modern dynasty.

The seniors were wished farewell last Wednesday as they romped over Tewksbury 62-45. You could say that they started this great run. Five great players can be credited for being there in the beginning. Kevin Pizzotti, Dan Hurley, Derek Trueria, Mike Kelley, and Zack Mitzen all have been staples in the Wilmington game for three or four years. When those five took the court for the start of the game, you knew something special was coming. You could feel something memorable was about to occur. When those five seniors took the court, it was magic in the making.

When Kevin Pizzotti broke the silence by draining a long jumper, the Redmen were officially sunk. Wilmington got into a groove that was stoked by the crowd. When the final buzzer sounded, and the senior's final regular season game at Cushing gymnasium was over, it kind of reminded everyone how great this team was.

Those five seniors had a record of 40-8 against Cape Ann League teams during their illustrious career at WHS. That's 83 percent of the games played they won. That is a statistic they will always carry next to their names. And we will always remember their names.

Louie Cimaglia is a 13-year old boy from Wilmington who writes a weekly column.



Wilmington High sophomore Mike Caira stands strong defensively during the 'Cats win over Tewksbury on Wednesday night.

(photo by Jessica Stygles).

'Cats end Redmen's season again

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

For the Wilmington High Wildcats, they could have easily have had a letdown considering the night before they won the Cape Ann League title for the third straight season.

For the Tewksbury High Redmen, they were looking for some revenge since the Wildcats ended their playoff hopes during the last game of last season with a thrilling comeback.

So when these two teams met for the final time last Wednesday night at the Cushing gymnasium, the same situation occurred from last year - the 'Cats ended the Redmen's playoff hopes.

Because of the stupid MIAA rule (nothing against Tewksbury here, I say it for all sports, all teams) Tewksbury could have gone to the Division 2 tournament had they defeated Wilmington, because the Redmen would have gone 3-2 against teams in Division 2 and 3, disregarding what would have been a 5-15 record.

But that didn't happen. Instead, the 'Cats continued where they left off from Tuesday night's emotional win over North Andover. They jumped out to an incredible 36-5 lead with 3:51 to go in the first half, and cruised to an 62-45 victory.

The big story for Wilmington came from senior Kevin Pizzotti. He got the start as it was senior night. He nailed the first shot just 32 seconds into the game, and the Boston College bound student ended the night with a career high 10 points.

Zach Mitzan led the way for the 'Cats with 11 points, while, Pizzotti was the other double figure scorer with his 10. Joe Herra (9), Sean Quigley (7) and Mike Caira (7) came off the bench and supplied a combined 23 points to the victory.

For Tewksbury, senior Brian Lowe played exceptionally hard in the first half. Although he had just four points in the scoresheet, he should be commended for his hustle. He also grabbed 6 rebounds in the first half, most of them coming while his team was down by 20 points.

Mike Earley led the way with 11 points as he drained three treys in the final 2:26. Jeff Fredriksen had a real solid game and finished with 9 points.

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The final grades are in for local teams

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The regular season came to an end this past week in the winter sports and some of the state tournament games began on Tuesday night, while, the hockey teams will begin on Friday. Plenty of good news surrounds the local teams.

In Wilmington, all four of their teams are playing in the state tournament, while two of them drew top seeds after both the boys hoop and girls hockey teams won their respective league titles. Actually since the fall season, every team in Wilmington -- golf, boys and girls soccer, field hockey, volleyball, boys and girls hockey and boys and girls basketball -- have qualified for the state tournament (baseball and softball teams now face a lot of pressure, just kidding) which is a pretty amazing feat.

In Tewksbury, the girls basketball and boys hockey teams have qualified for the tournament, giving the Redmen four teams -- field hockey, girls soccer, girls basketball and boys hockey -- which have qualified for the state tournament, while, three others didn't make the cut. But the big news for the Redmen this winter was the conference championship titles of both the boys hockey and girls basketball teams.

So now as we head into the state tournament, we'll take a look back and hand out the grades for the season on each of the respective teams. So here goes:

Basketball

Tewksbury Girls -- When the grades last came out, the Redgals were 9-0 and were having a terrific first half of the season. Since then they have gone 6-5 to finish the season at 15-5. Of the five losses they do have, four of them have come to a Division 1 team as Central Catholic, Andover, Chelmsford and Haverhill have all defeated them. The last loss came against a Division 3 team, Newburyport who defeated the Redgals handily in last week's final regular season game.

Without a loss against a Division 2 team it's hard to imagine that the team could take a step backwards from its first half season. However, they have battled some inconsistent play in the second half of the season, despite their opponents.

The win on the road against Billerica was huge because not only did it give the team its first MVC Division 2 title since 1992, but the team played extremely well in that game, with its half court offense as good as ever. But the 34 points against Newburyport has to raise a lot of eyebrows of whether or not this team is burnt out, or just had a bad game looking past a Cape Ann League opponent before the state tourney begins.

Getting 15 wins with this team is certainly a terrific milestone, but the second half court have been much better than it was.

First Half Grade: A-
Second Half Grade: B
Season Grade: B+
Tourney Outlook: Tewksbury drew a very tough schedule in the very competitive Division 2 North bracket. They faced Salem on Tuesday night, and if they beat the Witches they face Arlington Catholic, the favorite to win the entire section. If Tewksbury plays like it can, they can win several games in the tournament and go further than any team in a long time.

Wilmington Girls -- Perhaps they have overchieved, perhaps the Cape Ann League is down a bit this season, but anyway you look at it this team started off 1-5 and finished the season 11-9 which included two losses to Hamilton-Wenham, who I feel the 'Cats are better than.

In the second half of the season, Wilmington defeated three Cape Ann League powerhouses, North Andover, Masconomet and Amesbury. They defeated a solid Ipswich team in overtime, giving the team four of its biggest wins in many years. When this team keeps its simple and tries not to do too much they can hang in with a lot of teams. They are extremely young, but have come leaps and bounds this season.

After seeing what Al Duffett has done with this program in just two years behind the bench, perhaps the cheap shots at him will finally come to a stop and people will realize that this guy is one of the better coaches in the entire department.

First Half Grade: B-
Second Half Grade: A
Season Grade: B+
Tourney Outlook: Wilmington faces Hamilton-Wenham on Wednesday and I really feel that they will come away with a win. They are a much better team than the Generals. After that they will face Newburyport, the favorite of the Division 3 tourney. Obviously they are the favorites and Wilmington would have to play near perfect ball to beat them. But then again, you never know what will happen? Who ever thought the 'Cats would be 11-9?

Tewksbury Boys -- It's certainly been an interesting year for the team. However, at the start of the season if there was one person who though this team was a tournament caliber team than they should have their eyes checked. This team was young, lacked experience, height and a true center. Add to that an awesome MVC tier from top to bottom, and that's why the Redmen had one win in the league because it was that good this season.

The program has a long way to go to get back to the competitive field because they lose a handful of players this season, including Jay Donohue, who deserves a lot of credit to playing and sticking with such a great attitude throughout the year.

The Redmen were 3-5 when the grades first came out and finished the season with a 1-11 record, thus the grade can't stay the same regardless of their situations.

First Half Grade: B-
Second Half Grade: C-
Season Grade: C
Wilmington Boys -- After several small bumps in the road, the Wildcats have exploded here in the last few weeks and have really hit their peak, especially offensively. The second half against North Andover and the first half against Tewksbury was as good as this team has played all season long. The captured their third straight league title and qualified for the state tournament for the ninth time in the past ten years. They have gone 40-8 against Cape Ann League teams in the past three years. Certainly, a small version of a dynasty has been built here.

The inside game has really been working with Zack Mitzan and Dan Hurley and the outside game has really improved with Mike Kelley and Joe Herra nailing three-pointers at will. Is it me or does Herra make everything look so easy?

When the grades came out the 'Cats were 9-0 and they finished the second half with a 8-3 record. Honestly, besides one loss, the Wildcats have actually played better as a whole in the second half of the season than the first half, but the three losses actually can't get them a higher grade.

First Half Grade: A-
Second Half Grade: A-
Season Grade: A-
Tournament Outlook: Without getting too far ahead of themselves, Wilmington could make some big noise in the tournament because of their No. 1 seed. That said, every team they face with bring everything they have to dethrone the top seed for bragging rights, even if it's just for a day or two. Wilmington has to keep that in mind, focus every moment of every game and play their style. If they don't get too far ahead of themselves, the wins should keep piling up.

Hockey

Tewksbury Boys -- I can't figure this team out at all. I have no idea - it's the strangest thing. One time they play very well, several times they play mediocre and then they toss in a terrible game. I don't get it. Sometimes they have the best break-out and sometimes there's times they can't get the puck out of their zone.

Through the first half of the season was the team was 7-2. In the second half they ended up 4-3-4 which is also a strange record. Offensively, they have to step it up, especially on the power play. Perhaps a suggestion would be to put Mike Grasso and Geoff Luciano on the points.

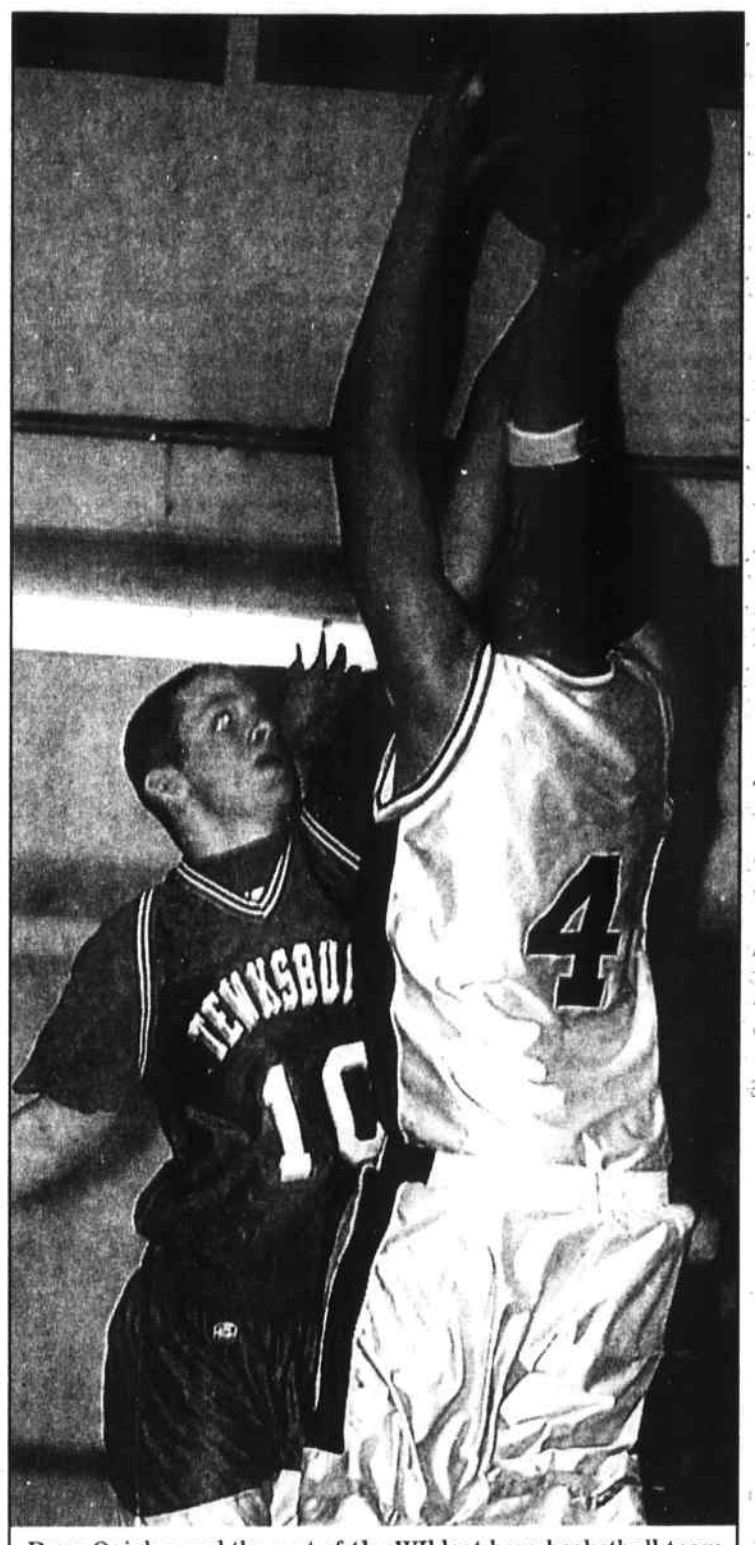
The second half was OK. Nothing great, but nothing too bad either. But this team can play so much better ... and they'll have to if they want the season to continue.

First Half Grade: B+
Second Half Grade: B-
Season Grade: B
Tournament Outlook: Tewksbury is much better than Haverhill so they should defeat the Hillies in the second round. If that happens they'll face Lynnfield in the second round. The Pioneers are very talented but have taken some major lumps in the last month of the season and if Tewksbury plays the way they are capable of, they certainly can take them. After that it's whoever has the hot goalie and Bill Fabiano certainly can be that type of netminder.

Wilmington Girls -- Seventeen wins, are you kidding me? The 'Cats had four wins last year and improved that mark by 13. That's very impressive. And Wilmington lost two of their three games by one goal and the third was by two. The improvement of this team is beyond what anyone could have ever imagined. What could happen with regular practice time?

The 'Cats finished 17-3 in the regular season with a league title. Even if they lose in the first round of the tournament, the season was absolutely tremendous.

First Half Grade: A-
Second Half Grade: A+
Season Grade: A
Tournament Preview: It certainly won't be easy with the likes of Andover, Chelmsford and Wellesley in the Division 2 tournament. But who cares, the girls are there.



Ryan Quigley and the rest of the WIldcat boys basketball team received an A- for the season, while, the Tewksbury Boys basketball team was given a C. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

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State Tournament Predictions

Here's how the Town Crier's Sports Editor Jamie Pote sees the state tournament will go in both hockey and basketball:

Boys Hockey

Div. 1A: BC High over Catholic Memorial
Div. 2 North: Winthrop over St. Mary's
Div. 2 South: Nauset over Franklin
Div. 2 Sectional Champ: Winthrop
Div. 3 North: North Reading over Tyngsboro
Div. 3 South: Cohasset over Abington/East Bridgewater
Div. 3 Sectional Champ: North Reading

Girls Hockey

Div.1: Dedham over Woburn
Div. 2: Wellesley over Westford

Boys Basketball

Div. 1 North: Lexington over Andover
Div. 1 South: Brookline over BC High
Div. 1 Sectional Champ: Lexington
Div. 2 North: Charlestown over East Boston
Div. 2 South: Walpole over Franklin
Div. 2 Sectional Champ: Walpole
Div. 3 North: Wilmington over Watertown
Div. 3 South: Norwell over Rockland
Div. 3 Sectional Champ: Norwell
Div. 4 North: Ipswich over Matignon
Div. 4 South: West Bridgewater vs South Shore Christian
Div. 4 Sectional Champ: Ipswich

Girls Basketball

Div. 1 North: Somerville over Lynn Classical
Div. 1 South: Marshfield over Brockton
Div. 1 Sectional Champ: Somerville
Div. 2 North: Arlington Catholic over Westford
Div. 2 South: Oliver Ames over Bishop Feehan
Div. 2 Sectional Champ: Oliver Ames
Div. 3 North: Newburyport over Swampscott
Div. 3 South: Westwood over Cardinal Spellman
Div. 3 Sectional Champ: Westwood
Div. 4 North: Austin Prep over St. Mary's
Div. 4 South: Westport over West Bridgewater
Div. 4 Sectional Champ: Westport

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing well be held in Town Hall , Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA. 01887, on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 7:15 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Middlesex Crossing, LLC, 5 Middlesex Avenue, Suite 15A, Wilmington, MA. 01887, owner and applicant. The applicant is proposing to construct a mixed use development consisting of 14 townhouses and 3,450 sq. ft. commercial space with 4 apartments on the second floor, 22 feet wide access drive, and associated parking area. This work will take place within riverfront area and within the 100 foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA. Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 42 Parcel 32 and 31, 10 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 James Morris, Chair
3807 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing well be held in Town Hall , Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA. 01887, on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, after 7:10 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Robert Schuler, Core States Engineering, One Harris Street, Newburyport, MA. 01950 applicant; Francis Sheflin, Cumberland Farms Inc., 777 Dedham Street, Canton, MA. 02021. The applicant is proposing to construct a new commercial building with site work within the 100 foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA. Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 44 Parcel 1, 205 Main Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 James Morris, Chair
3808 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 04P0561EP1

In the Estate of THOMAS F. SHERIDAN
Late of TEWKSBURY
In the County of MIDDLESEX
Date of Death January 18, 1993
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that LILLIAN SHERIDAN of Tewksbury in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executor, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance is said court at Cambridge on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 AM) on March 22, 2004.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. BEVERLY WEINGER BOORSTEIN, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this day, February 17, 2004.

2.25.04 John R. Buonomo
3811 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on March 3, 2004 at 7:25 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA. 01876 on an application filed by David Cressman-Tewksbury Town Manager for a Notice of Intent.

Said Property is located on Various Streets. Assessor's Map(s) as per abutter list.

Sewer Expansion Program, Phase 7, Contract # 24.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

2/25 Stan Folta
3812 Chairman

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

BOARD OF HEALTH

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Health will hold a public hearing on March 4, 2004, at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall, on the request by Marianna Murphy and Bianca's Restaurant, 2312 Main St., to vary the Regulations for Toilet Facilities in Food Establishments to allow one unisex handicapped bathroom. At that time, interested parties will be heard. Copies of the proposal are available for review at the Board of Health Office. Should the Board not meet that evening, then the hearing will occur on March 18, 2004.

2.25.04 Stephanie Wilkie,
3814 Chairman

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING
DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on March 3, 2004 at 7:40 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street Tewksbury, MA. 01876 on an application filed by New England Power Co., for a Determination of Applicability.

Said property is located on L-164 Transmission Right of Way.

Assessor's Map(s) various and Lot(s) various.

Replacement and maintenance of the existing L-164 Transmission Live Structures.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during the normal business hours Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 Stan Folta
3815 Chairman

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 86P1579C
Notice of Fiduciary's Account

To all persons interested in the estate of Mary Rita Jasinski, of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex - a person under conservatorship.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the 12th thru 15th accounts of Fleet National Bank - Conservator-(the fiduciary) of the property of said Ward have been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account(s), you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at CAMBRIDGE on or before the 18th day of March, 2004, the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said accounts. If you desire to object to any item of said account(s), you must, in addition, to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, Hon. Beverly Weinger Boorstein, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this 13 day of February, 2004.

2.25.04 John R. Buonomo
3796 Register of Probatea

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

(SEAL) Case No. 293443

To: Daniel David Fonzi, Jr. Trustee
Margo & Maryanne Realty Trust

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended:

Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, National Association, as Trustee, under the applicable agreement. Claiming to be the holder of mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 12 Blueberry Lane, given by Gerard C. Hery to Option One Mortgage Corporation, dated July 8, 2002, recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 13295, Page 194, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 5th day of April, 2004, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, Karyn F. Scheier, Chief Justice of said Court this 17th day of February 2004.

2/25.04 Ann-Marie J. Breuer
3797 Deputy Recorder

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, March 3, 2004 at 8:00 PM in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for an Amendment to the Order of Conditions for DEP File #344-748, issued to Chet Hall, 25 Kitt Lane, P.O. Box 75, Londonderry, NH 03053, owner and applicant. The amendment is revising the footprint of the dwelling, driveway, grading, infiltration systems, runoff from driveway and septic system design. This work is within the 100 foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, as designated by the Ma Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 84 Parcel 64, 4 Summer Street, Wilmington, Ma. 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 James Morris, Chair
3802 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on March 3, 2004 at 7:15 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street Tewksbury, MA. 01876 on an application filed by Sheila M. LaFerriere for a Notice of Intent

Said property is located at 37 Tomahawk Road, Tewksbury. Assessor's Map(s) 44 Lot(s) 107.

Construct a new dwelling and repair an existing septic system.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 Stan Folta
3789 Chairman

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting well be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, after 7:00 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by David Hale, 2 Marion Street, Wilmington, MA. 01887, owner and applicant. This filing is for the demolition of an existing deck, construct an accessory apartment, construct a new deck and upgrade the septic system within the 100 foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands as designated by the MA. Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 16 Parcel 7, 2 Marion Street, Wilmington, MA. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 James Morris, Chair
3801 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is herby given that a Public Hearing well be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA. 01887, on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Steven Morrow, Olin Corporation, P.O. Box 248, Charleston, TN, 37310, owner and applicant. The applicant is proposing to install five wells in the Maple Meadow Brook wetlands and construct a temporary access road. The work will take place within the riverfront area and the 100 foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA. Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 14 Parcels 5 and 6, Map 25 Parcel 2 and Map 26 Parcel 2, 7C, 8 and 9, Chestnut Street and Main Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 James Morris, Chair
3806 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is herby given that a Public Hearing well be held in Town Hall , Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA. 01887, on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 7:40 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Presidential Development Corporation, 314 Main Street; Wilmington, MA. 01887, applicant. Hartman Development, 3 Cedarwood Road, Woburn, MA 01888, owners. The applicant proposes to construct a subdivision, including roadway, utility installation, houses, driveways, drainage systems and grading activities within the 100 foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA. Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map 36 Parcel 186, Rhode Island Road Extension, Wilmington, MA. 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 James Morris, Chair
3800 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION
DOCKET 96P1523AX
ADMINISTRATION DBN CTA WITHOUT SURETIES
NOTICE

Estate of John P. McCarthy
Late of Tewksbury
In the County of Middlesex
Date of Death 02/26/1996

A petition has been presented in the above -captioned matter praying that Alexine Pope of Cedartown, in the state of Georgia, or some other suitable person be appointed administratrix, of said estate not already administered.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance is said court at Cambridge on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on March 11, 2004.

WITNESS, HON. BEVERLY WEINGER BOORSTEIN, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, the twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand and four.

2.25.04 John R. Buonomo
3795 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 04P0023EP1

In the Estate of DOROTHY B. BOYLE
Late of TEWKSBURY
In the County of MIDDLESEX
Date of Death December 3, 2003
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that MARILYN L. BRISEBOIS of PORT CHARLOTTE in the STATE of FLORIDA be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance is said court at Cambridge on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 AM) on March 17, 2004.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. BEVERLY WEINGER BOORSTEIN, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this day, February 11, 2004.

2.25.04 John R. Buonomo
3794 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 04P0301EP1

In the Estate of SERAFINA CASTELLANO AKA SOPHIE CASTELLANO
Late of WILMINGTON
In the County of MIDDLESEX
Date of Death February 16, 2001
NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that JAMES CASTELLANO of Wilmington in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executor, named in the will to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance is said court at Cambridge on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 AM) on March 18, 2004.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. BEVERLY WEINGER BOORSTEIN, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this day, February 12, 2004.

2.25.04 John R. Buonomo
3792 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on March 3, 2004 at 7:05 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Yvon Cormier- Ames Hill Development, LLC for a Notice of Intent.

Said Property is located on North Street and Catamount Rd. Assessor's Map(s) 51 Lot(s) 7

Proposed 89 Lot subdivision with 7000 feet of roadway and one wetland crossing.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 Stan Folta
3742 Chairman

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING
DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on March 3, 2004 at 7:02 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street Tewksbury, MA. 01876 on an application filed by David & Diane Lirakis for a Determination of Applicability.

Said property is located on 70 Hillside Road. Assessor's Map(s) 98 Lot(s) 222.

To construct an 18' wide by 36' long inground pool.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 Stan Folta
3786 Chairman

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Girls Hockey team skates away with first league title

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

From four wins to 17 wins. From the cellar of the North Cape League to league champions. So yes, the Wilmington High girls hockey team has gone from the outhouse to the penthouse.

In front of a loud and packed crowd at the Ristuccia Exposition Center on Thursday afternoon, the Lady Wildcats made school history when they defeated Masconomet Regional, 5-1, to capture the first league title with a 13-2 record which was one point better than runner-up Chelmsford.

Head coach Joe McMahon and his staff of assistants, Ken DeMaggio, Bob Murphy and Julie Lambert tried to make sure that the girls, especially the four seniors, didn't get too emotional before the big game since after all it would be their last home game. With flowers being handed to the girls before the game, the entire team did execute and remained focused for the entire 45 minutes to bring home the school's fourth league title of the school year.

"They did get emotional," said McMahon, who gave a lot of the credit of the season's success to his three assistant coaches. "The four seniors have been here for four years and two of them have been captains. I think the team dedicated this win to those four girls and to the captains."

With the win, the girls closed out the season with a 17-3 record as they now gear up for the Division 2 state tournament which have the 'Cats as the No. 1 seed who drew a first round bye.

"You can't put into words (of this accomplishment)," said McMahon. "Usually the Wilmington team would be in the stands watching the state tournament because the last two years we just weren't getting the breaks. These girls earned this league title - they worked for this for four years and nothing was handed to them."

Wilmington led 1-0 after the first period as Jessica Scioli tabbed the lone goal. She took the puck out of the 'Cats zone and skated down the right wing boards before cutting to the middle and putting a backhander to the back of the net.

The second period was a much different story. Wilmington played tremendous. They dominated Masco with all kinds of pressure in their end, holding a 11-5 margin in shots and really just took it too them. Wilmington scored two more goals in that period, as Scioli got her second goal of the game on a great set-up by senior forward Rachele See.

Just over two minutes later, Scioli sent a pass to the middle of the net, where Maria Tucker was there as the puck deflected off of her stick and into the top hand corner for a beautiful goal, making it 3-0. Masco was able to get into the game with a goal with 6:30 left making it 3-1 after two periods.

"That second period was the best I've ever seen the girls play," said McMahon. "They've played a lot of really good periods and games, but that second period was the best I've ever seen. We just peppered them. We were cycling the puck, we were hitting crossbars and posts and just shooting from everywhere."

Just 90 seconds into the third period, Wilmington kept up the offensive attack as Tiffany Zolt put home a rebound off a shot from See from the right hand circle on a face-off making it 4-0.

With 10:18 left in the game, Tucker came streaking down the left hand boards, circled behind the net before putting a wrist shot to the back side corner for the fifth goal of the game.

Goaltender Julie Martell played very well once again as she stopped 15 of 16 shots including 7 in the final period.

"We really want to thank the parents and the crowd because they played a big part in this also," said McMahon.

In case you missed it, Wilmington High Athletic Director Ed Harrison was a busy man this past week. With help of the high school's janitors, Harrison was able to put up the new flags inside the Larry Cushing Gymnasium. Now, inside the gymnasium hanging on the walls, are all of the league, sectional and state titles from all of the athletic teams throughout the history of the school, not just from within the last nine years of being in the Cape Ann League. Also included on the wall, but not in the picture are all of the individual track champions. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

Wrestlers end season quicker than anticipated

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

COHASSET – Last year the Wilmington High wrestling team did real well in the post-season because of their big three at the time, Derek Hanley, Roman Walsh and Jordan Weiner. The team did well in dual meets but much better in the post season.

Up to this past weekend, this year's wrestling team had a school mark of 15 dual meet wins, which was exceptional considering they lost those three talented wrestlers. But this weekend the post season was just two weeks old, instead of four and the season came to a surprising end.

For the first time since Mike Pimental has been the head coach since the 1994-,95 season, the all-state wrestling meet will not have a blue and white uniform with the name "Wildcats" on it. None of the seven grapplers placed in this past weekend's Division 3 state meet which began Friday night and ended early Saturday morning.

Wilmington finished tied for 26th place in the 54-teams which were represented with at least one wrestler. The 'Cats had 14 points and finished behind four teams they defeated during the regular season. Last year Wilmington placed fourth at the state meet, the best in school history.

"I thought we wrestled pretty well but we didn't have the tournament we had hoped for," said Pimental. "We came away with no place finishers which is the first time that's happened since I've been here. We felt very positive coming in that several of the kids could place, but we feel a little short."

Of the seven wrestlers, just one advanced to Saturday's competition and that was sophomore Evan Walsh in the 130-pound class. He won his first match over Jon Littauer of Cohasset, 4-1, before losing to a very good Dedham wrestler Charlie Citrone – who took third place – by an 8-0 score. Walsh then capped Friday night off with a 10-4 win over Brandon Staszko of Belchertown, by the same 10-4 score. On Saturday, Walsh was eliminated as he was defeated by Todd Patterson of Frontier Regional, 7-2.

"Evan was amazing," said Pimental. "He's come so far. He did everything he was suppose to do and just wrestled extremely well."

At 103 pounds, Nathan Clapp lost both of his matches, the first to Jim Eagan of Hanover (who went on to take third place) and the second to Geoff Riccio of Nashoba Tech. At 112 pounds, Mike Sorrentino went 1-2. He lost to Tim Mack of Monument Mountain (who finished third) before beating Nicole Darrow of Mount Graylock, in a 5-3 overtime decision. Then Sorrentino lost to Jeremy Wolfe of Mt Everett, 2-1.

At 135 pounds, junior Mike St. Aubin also went 1-2. He defeated Brian Gouin of South Hadley, 11-1, before losing to Greg Woods of Duxbury and Bryce Wheatley of Minuteman Tech.

Anthony Almeida lost to the eventual state champion Joey Kehoe of Cohasset, and then was defeated by James Stuart of Dedham, 12-10. Senior Dave Paris picked up a win over Matt Casey of Cohasset, but lost to both Leon Davis of South Hadley and Greg Cormier of Hudson, to end his season and career.

Finally at 215, senior Ken Luongo lost to Jeff Hamer of Frontier Regional and Patrick Jernigan of Franklin Tech as his season and career also comes to a halt.

Losing just three seniors off this year's team, Pimental is very optimistic about the future of the program despite having a tough weekend.

"At this point we have to look through the fog and into next year," he said. "We have a lot of terrific kids coming back and we should be exceptional next year."



The Wilmington High girls hockey team captured the school's first league title, winning the North Cape League with a win over Masconomet on Thursday. Earlier in the season, the team had won the Martha's Vineyard tournament which is the plaque co-captains Tiffany Zolt and Jillian Abell are holding. (photo by Brownphoto.com).

Livermore returns to the sidelines

The last time Beth Livermore coached a high school team in the state tournament, her Wilmington High girls basketball squad lost in the first round of the Division 3 North sectional to Triton, 50-40.

Back on the sidelines for the first time since the winter of 2000, Livermore led Salem High to a 12-8 regular season this year and guided the Witches to a first-round upset of Tewksbury Tuesday, 58-51, in overtime in a Division 2 North first round game.

"It was good. I almost had a heart attack, but it was awesome," said Livermore, who was Beth Kapnis when she coached the Wildcats. "The kids are awesome. I can't say enough about them, their hard work and enthusiasm and the way they get along. Coming in, my first year, they've been great kids and I'm proud of them. Not matter what happens, I'm always going to be proud of them."

Livermore led the Wildcats to two state tournaments during her five-season stint at Wilmington. Previously she had served as an assistant coach at Salem for nine years.

She quit coaching Wilmington to have a baby and then returned this season because the former Witches player got a call from her alma mater.

"I was going to come back eventually," said Livermore, who was a three-sport All-Star during her time at Salem and also started at guard during her collegiate career at Salem State. "I never thought I'd be back in Salem, but I'm really glad to be back. They called me and it's in my blood. I'm really glad they called and I'm really glad to be back."

-- Matt Kalman



Former WHS Girls Baskteball coach Beth Livemore is now the head coach at Salem High School. On Tuesday, Salem defeated Tewksbury in the first round of the state tournament. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

Seniors cap season off

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

It was a bittersweet ending.

Before the game began, the Wilmington High girls hockey team presented the team's four seniors – Jillian Abell, Rachele See, Tiffany Zolt and Christina Roux – with flowers and hugs, while signs were placed all around the Ristuccia Exposition Center for their senior day.

It was the last time they would skate together after four years of getting the program off the ground. On Thursday afternoon, the four of them (well three) were just as emotional skating around after the game knowing they were league champions, than they were before the game knowing it would be the last skate at the old home town rink.

After defeating Masconomet, 5-1, to capture the North Cape League Championship title, there were plenty of more hugs going around as the girls realized that the four years is almost over.

"I was sad and I got emotional," said Zolt. "But once the game started and the fans got so loud, it just pumped me up and I was fine after that."

While Zolt scored a goal which was assisted by See, the league's player of the year, the two of them refelected on the senior season. Zolt was a tri-captain of the field hockey team which placed in the state tournament this past fall for the first time in three years. See led the girls soccer team to its first league title.

"It's cool to have the two banners," said See. "Especially because it was two teams they had never done that before. This is a good way to end the (regular) season. This really means something."

Zolt chuckled when she actually thought about what she was a part of.

"I have never been on a winning team so I'm not used to this," she said. "In field hockey we weren't that good before this year, and here in hockey we didn't win either until this year. So this is good."

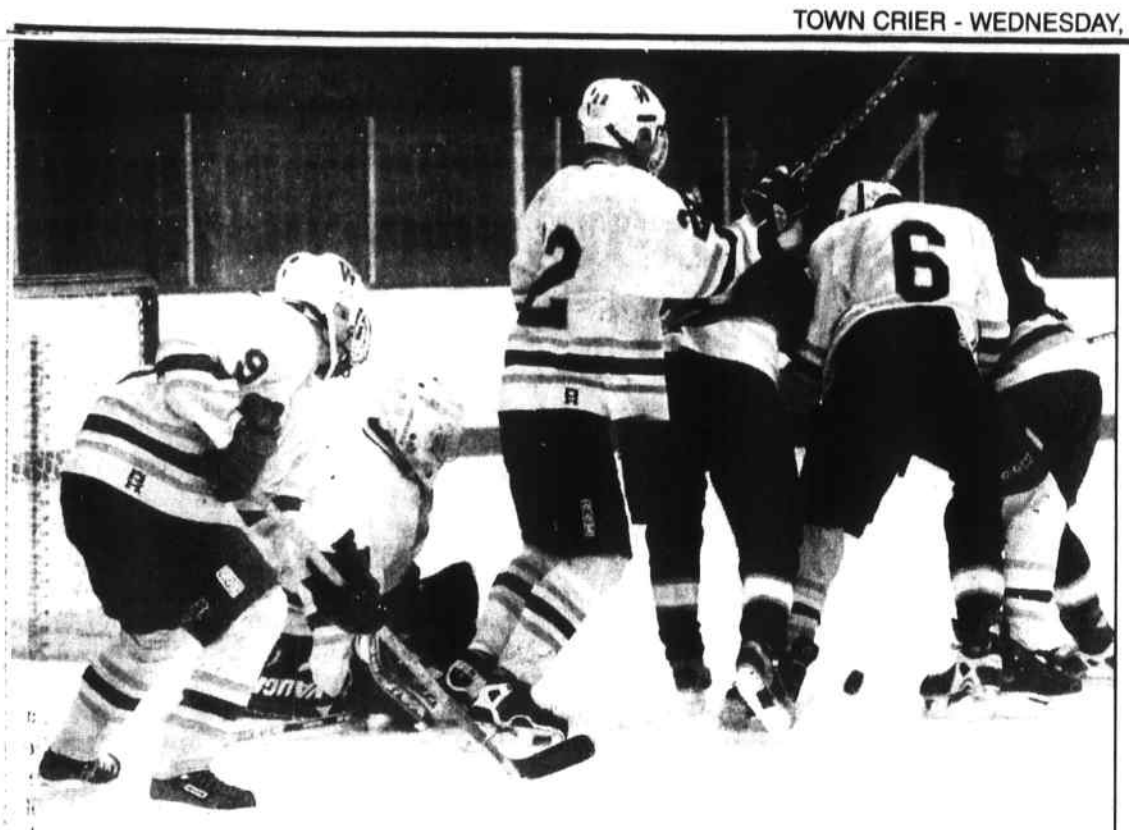
The team's other two seniors, Jillian Abell and Christina Roux didn't get as much playing time through the season than See and Zolt did, but they were just as much part of the league title as anyone, because of their tremendous atttitudes and leadership qualities.

"I'm so sad," said Abell. "These girls have been my best friends for the past four years. It's the last home game we'll ever play together and that's pretty scary. But I'll come and watch the girls (after I graduate). I can't say enough about the girls on the team and the coaches. I've been crying all week because this is it, and it's hard to imagine that it's almost over. I'm just so proud of every single girl on the team."

Both Abell and Roux were placed out on the ice in the last shift, both getting strong hands from the crowd as they finished off the regular season skating off as league champs.

"I was crying," said Roux. "But this is really good. It's very exciting and we're all surprised how well we have done. I didn't expect to play at all, so when I went out there I was very nervous. But I'm very happy (to be a part of the title)."

And certainly that can be said about every member of the Wilmington High girls hockey team.



Wilmington High boys hockey goalie Andy Berian was named a Cape Ann League All-Confence player. (file photo).

Berian saves best for last

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

On Monday night, Wilmington ligh senior Andy Berian made is first Cape Ann League all-ar appearance. He played ell, giving up just one goal in ne period as his team was efeated 8-7. But of you ask im, he's not even sure if he elonged there.

"I really didn't think I've had good season," he said. "It did-'t meet by expectations. I anted to win more. We're .500 nd I thought we would be nuch better than that."

The stats do back up his selec-ion. He was second in the eague in goals against average f 2.14 and in the past month of he season he picked up two hutouts and came up huge when the team needed wins ver Amesbury and Andover lown the stretch, not to men-ion earlier gems against ndover, Lynnfield and Masconomet.

"Andy's had a funny year," aid coach Steve Scanlon. Before the year started other oaches in the league told me hat we would be in good shape ecause we had arguably the est goalie in the league back n Andy. I agreed with them. But he struggled mightily at the tart of the season. He was very nconsistent. I think his roller ockey play negatively affects im. It took him a long time to ind himself.

"But in my opinion, I think e's the reason why we're going o the tournament. His play in the last month has been tremendous. He has saved us in a handful of games. When we played Masco the second time around, we played the worst period any hockey team has played in my 13 years here. That first period was the worst I've ever seen. But Andy was the reason why we were stayed in that game and were able to come back to win. He had several other big games for us down the stretch, and he was terrific in the third period of that win over Lynnfield. He's done a good job for us as a leader. He's been a good captain and he deserved the all-star selection."

Berian – whose older brother Mike played at WHS, while his other brother Joe ("He was the reason why I became a goalie. I wanted to have the cool pads like him") was a goalie for Shawsheen Tech – was named an all-conference selection with teammate Tony Resendes, as they were two of the 12 players selected throughout the entire league. Berian agreed that he struggled with consistency at the start of the season, and he said that roller hockey is partly the fault.

"I don't know what happened," he said. "I was inconsistent and I don't know what happened. Maybe focus was the problem. But at the beginning of the year I tried too hard to be the leader, instead of just being the team's goalie."

For the past few years Berian has been heavily involved in roller hockey playing in leagues in Acton and now in Tewksbury. He has participated in tournaments in Florida and New Jersey. He said that his play there sometimes alters his play in the ice, mostly with his feet, going side to side and coming out of the net.

"Andy just has to stay on his angles and he's a better stand up goalie," said Scanlon. "He had a good glove and he still can be flashy. But early on he was just all over the place. He's settled down nicely and that's been the difference with us. You need a hot goalie in the tournament to do well and we're hoping he still has plenty left in the tank."

Berian said although the team finished with 10 wins, and although they have a tough road to climb in the tournament, he believes it can be done.

"I think a lot of it will be nerves," he said. "There will be a lot of people there watching and we can get nerves get us. Last year we played in the tournament so we've been there before. We have nothing to lose. We're the last seed. I think we just have to calm our nerves. We beat teams like Lynnfield and Pentucket so we know what we are capable of. Now we just have to get there and get it done."

And if that happens, maybe then Andy Berian will realize that he did belong in the all-star game.

Boys Hockey team draws St. Mary's of Lynn in first round

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Two years ago, the Wilmington High ice hockey team had a pretty talented team and went into the state tournament and overlooked its first round opponent Salem, who stunned the 'Cats by eliminating them from the first round of the state tournament.

Last year Wilmington was again eliminated in the first round but by a much better Pentucket team. On Friday night, the last seed Wildcats will face the No. 3 seed of St. Mary's of Lynn (15-2-3) in the first round of the Division 2 North sectional tournament to be played at the Chelmsford Forum beginning at 6:00 pm.

"The tournament is a fickle thing," said coach Steve Scanlon. "We witnessed that two years ago. But it's a one game situation. Anything could happen. You get a hot goalie and it could determine a team's fate. You get some puck luck, emotions are always high and you have a team take advantage of some opportunities and you can continue to move on. You're just trying to move on. It doesn't have to be pretty. The tournament is always exciting, the kids always treated great wherever they go and it's a good reward for them."

After playing the higher gun two years ago, Wilmington now looks into the bottle much like Salem did.

"There's no pressure on us at all," said Scanlon. "They are the third seed and we're the last seed. They are suppose to beat us. They have a high octane of offense and they have had some big wins along the way. They are an all-star type program and have a lot of home grown talent. They are very good. We certainly have our work cut out for us."

Wilmington finished the season with a 10-10-1 overall record. Among the ten wins were some pretty good ones including victories over Lynnfield and Tewksbury, who are seeded higher than them. They also have lost to Triton three times, Lynnfield and Winthrop once and they are also seeded higher than them in the section.

"We have to play good defense all over the ice," said Scanlon. "We have to get good goaltending and take advantage of any opportunities we get. We have to stay out of the penalty box. And we do have a weapon in (Tony) Resendes. We have played some great games and then we've played some games where we are all over the place.

"When we are all on the same page, all playing 100 percent, we are a hard team to play against. We have proven that with wins over Lynnfield and Tewksbury, and we took it to Nauset, who is the No. 1 seed in the South. I thought we got a little tired towards the end of the season, so a few days off should help them out."

Wilmington has an extremely tough draw with St. Mary's of Lynn and should they beat the Spartans, they'll face the winner of Triton-Pentucket in the second round.

"You are what you are," said Scanlon. "We are .500 and we had a mediocre season. We let several games slip away which would have been the biggest difference in the world and we wouldn't be facing all of the top seeds. But we entered the season without some players who were supposed to be with us and we end the season with some players who started with us. A small school like us, we need all the players we can get."



Wilmington High's Zach Wilkins tries to slam home a loose puck into the back of the net during a recent CAL hockey game. (photo by Brownphoto.com).

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Woods in his 27th year of coaching

By DAN DILWORTH
Sports Correspondent

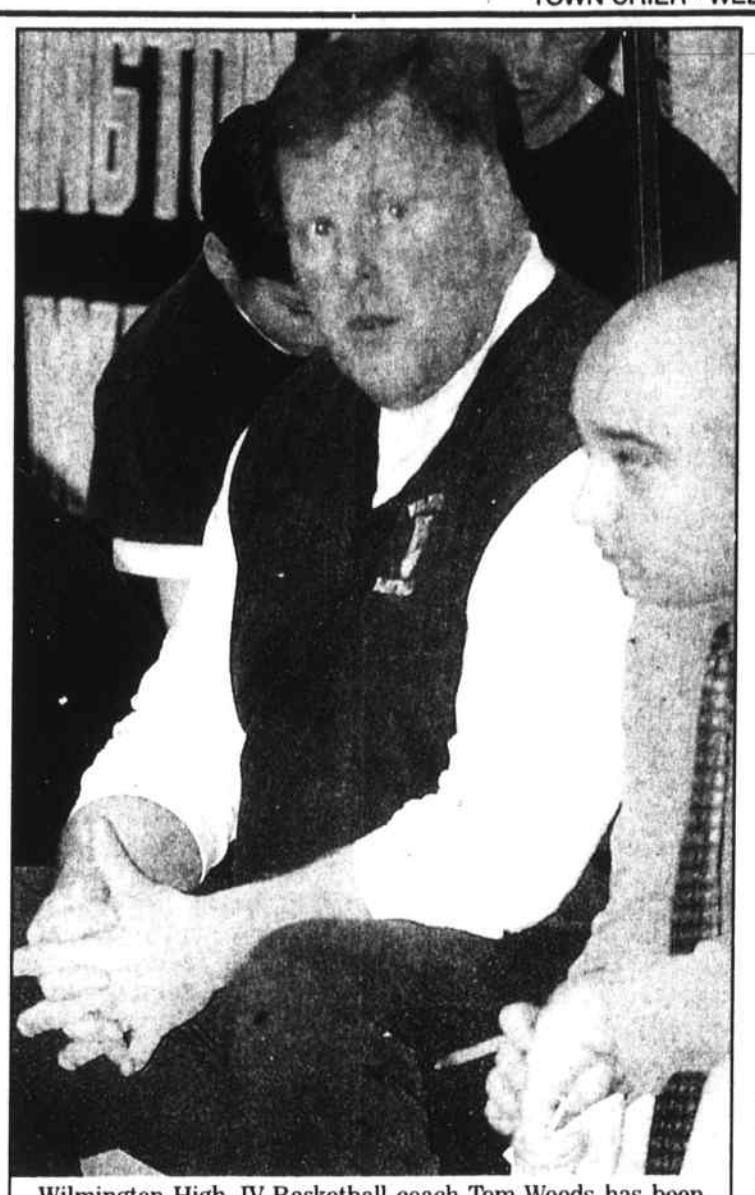
Tom Woods has been coaching basketball at Wilmington High School for the past 27 years and he has held four different positions within the program. He started out coaching freshmen girls basketball, moved on to JV girls basketball, then switched over to boys basketball to become the freshmen boys basketball coach, then he moved on to the position he currently holds: JV boys basketball.

Woods attended Wilmington High School and graduated in 1974. During his time at the high school, he played football, basketball and baseball. He was a captain of the baseball team during his senior year.

During his time at the high school, the baseball and football programs enjoyed a lot of success. Woods said that one year, the baseball team was champion of the Merrimack Valley League. As for Woods' football experience, in 1972, his junior year, the team went 9-0. That team was the last undefeated football team at Wilmington High School. Woods called that the highlight of his high school career. The basketball team was not as successful during those years, unfortunately. Woods said that he believes the team won six games during their best season.

After high school, Woods went to Boston State College where he played baseball for one year and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education. His teaching career was short, however. He was a teacher's assistant for a year in Andover and was a substitute teacher for a few years after. During that time, he took a job with Federal Express and eventually decided to pursue that career instead of teaching. He has been at Federal Express for 24 years and currently works as a courier.

When Woods was 21, as he was seeking a teaching job, he also began coaching basketball at Wilmington.



Wilmington High JV Basketball coach Tom Woods has been a part of the athletic program as a coach for the past 27 years. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

"A job opportunity came up to coach girls freshmen (basketball), I took it," he said. "From there, I went to JV. I did that for a few years. I coached under Tom Beaton and I coached under Doug Anderson. Then the boys freshman job opened up when Jimmy Tildsley left to go to Methuen High and Dave Orndoff, who was his assistant coach, asked me if I wanted to become his freshmen coach."

After Dave Orndoff left, Jim McCune, the current boys head basketball coach, took over the varsity head coach position. When McCune took over, Woods became the junior varsity coach. The two have been in their current positions for the past 15 years.

Since McCune took over, the basketball program has enjoyed a lot of success. Woods believes that the program is a lot more structured now. He says that the success -- including three Cape Ann League championships in the past three years -- is all because of McCune.

"Jimmy puts a lot of time in," said Woods. "He's a great coach; he's very organized. From day one, we know exactly what we're doing for the rest of the year. We're a very structured program; we stick with a plan and whether it's right or wrong, we stay with it. It's worked out; we've been very successful. I think we've made the tournament ten out of the past 15 years."

One can see why the basketball program has been so successful when he takes into consideration the values that Woods and the rest of the program stress.

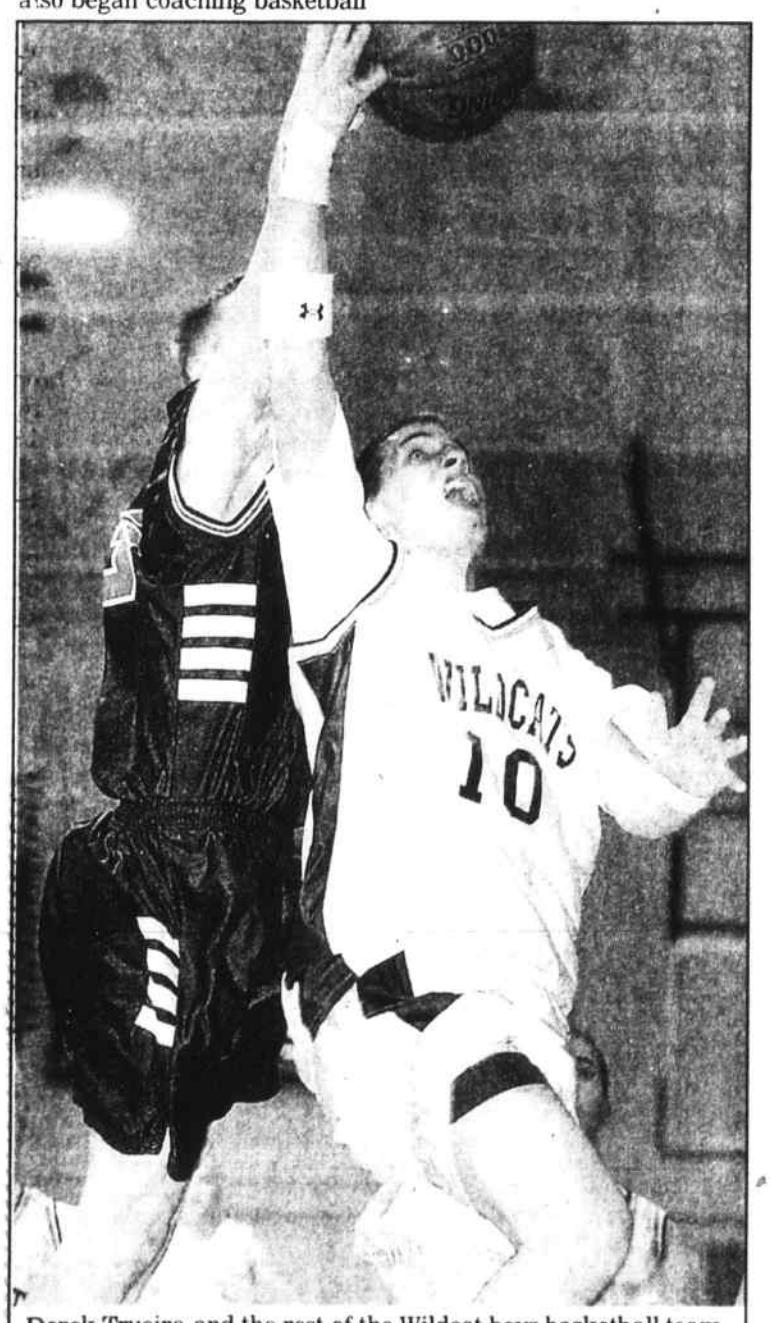
"The most important thing we teach is being disciplined, respectful of others, being on time and it's not about wins and losses; it's about playing hard; it's about commitment; it's about sacrifice and I think that's why we're so successful," said Woods.

McCune, the reason that Woods has been a successful junior varsity coach is because he possesses the qualities that the program teaches.

"He's a tremendous coach; he's done a great job. He has a lot of the qualities that we want in the kids, such as dedication, honesty and loyalty," said McCune.

McCune went on to say that Woods, most important job in the program was developing mental and physical toughness. He believes that Woods has done an outstanding job at developing that toughness, as well as fundamental basketball skills, in the kids.

"There's no one else I'd rather have at that position," said McCune.



Derek Trueira and the rest of the Wildcat boys basketball team defeated Wayland in the first round of the state tournament on Tuesday night. (photo by Jessica Stygles).

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It's about time something is going on in sports

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA

There's not a whole lot going on in the sports world, is there? I mean, there are a few things like the NBA All-Star game, but it wasn't anything to ride home about. The NHL is in the middle of its season, but with the financial crisis hockey is just at a low for quality. Sports are kind of limited in the time between the Super Bowl and Spring Training. Especially since the Bruins and Celtics have seen better days. It's that awkward phase when it seems like sports are just not a big deal at the moment.

New England revolves around sports. New England thrives on sports. And if New England isn't really hooked on sports, you know that something is wrong. Even sports around town are losing their luster. The Wildcat varsity boys basketball team are having a fantastic season, but it's not the same because the crowds and the enthusiasm just isn't there.

Probably the most exciting thing that has happened since Adam Vinatieri kicked the winning field goal in the Super Bowl is watching the Red Sox equipment trucks pack up and head to Ft. Myers. And that is a big event but the Bruins or Celtics really should be playing better and attracting more fans and more support. It's kind of like going to the new pizza shop and really enjoy the food. But then over time its just not what it used to be. That's what happening to the Bruins and Celtics. The beginning of the year everyone was excited about the new season, but now its not a big deal anymore.

Our hometown teams are doing less-than-admirable jobs and it's the same old song and dance. We get bored and we look to the future. Heaven forbid the Red Sox have poor year and we'll be stuck for four months with nothing. However, the Red Sox will win the World Series this year (you heard it here first). But this whole A-Rod to the Yankees thing has got all the skeptics all upset. I'm not worried, good pitching always beats good hitting in the long run.

Even the schools are no longer into the athletic swing. With Pop Warner over and Basketball seasons winding down, students are doing the last thing they want to do... study. But that's really all there is to do. On ESPN talk shows like Pardon the Interruption and Around the Horn they are struggling to find interesting topics. A-Rod/Yankees, Golf, NASCAR, and, and...well you see? There just isn't a lot going on.

This is the amazing part though, as soon as pitchers and catchers report in a few days, it's like a 180 degree turn. Suddenly the world is opened up and sports are reborn. The weather loses the Arctic chill and the sun comes out. Before you know it it's football season.

Clearly New England is very calm. No fierce competitions, no rivalries, actually this the first year in a while where watching the Bruins isn't a big deal anymore. Watching the Bruins used to be as common as eating in my household. Now, they're just another reality show.

I guess you can say that it's a spectator's off-season. Not for long. Slowly but surely sports are making a reemergence. Once the BoSox hit Florida its like a whirlwind. Everything is back up for discussion. No more listening to WEEI whiner line about how Steinbrenner is unfair. No more watching SportsCenter show highlights of skiing. No more Pete Rose or Barry Bonds steroids or any other law-defying buffoon. It's all in play in a few weeks. Everything from Epstein to Garciaparra. Thank God for baseball, it saved us from a really bad dry spell. And it saved us from the never-ending what-ifs. PLAY BALL!

Louie Cimaglia is a 13-year-old boy from Wilmington who writes a weekly column.

Theo is the man and George is just George

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA

Never has there been such hype surrounding the Boston Red Sox this early in the year. Pitchers and catchers reported less than a week ago and already no stone has been left unturned. Every single scenario has been analyzed and broken down. And all results are leading to the same place... the World Series.

It makes sense, doesn't it?

The Bean town Boys finally have a closer, a second baseman who can field, a manager who knows how to manage (we hope), and a pitching staff that's as deep as, well, the amount of sympathy for everyone's favorite screaming presidential drop out, Howard Dean.

But most importantly we have the one thing that the Yankees have had for three decades that we didn't: Theo Epstein. Epstein is the younger, smarter, more Bostonian version of George Steinbrenner. Epstein has proven he will stick his nose right in the middle of Major League business, and he'll compete.

Epstein has pieced together a team that can be the team Boston has been waiting for, for so long. Young Theo has done everything possible to dethrone the evil empire. And this year, he might just have outdone the boss. Steinbrenner didn't want to be " out Steinbrennered" if you will. No one has ever challenged him quite like Theo has. So what did George do? He stocked up on poor character players with their age almost resembling that of the number before all the zeros on their paychecks. Gary Sheffield, Kevin Brown and others have been known to make waves and ruffle some feathers in the clubhouse.

Theo has acquired some players like Keith Foulke, Curt Schilling, and Pokey Reese, who will blend in nicely with the Boston media and really help to guide the younger players on the Sox. Alex Rodriguez? Have you heard it enough lately? Yeah, yeah, the Yankees swoop in and take A-Rod right after the Red Sox fail to make a deal with him. We all know that. But no one knows how taking the best player in baseball and changing his position-in the prime of his career will turn out.

Derek Jeter has never faced this breed of pressure before. This is a whole new ballgame. Now, Jeter has to watch his behind because A-Rod's going to be closing in on him. God forbid, the Yankees go on a three game losing streak like they did in the middle of last season. Steinbrenner will go on a tear. If Jeter goes on one of his characteristic error spats, guess who's going to be in the hole? Yup, A-Rod. That's when the havoc ensues. Jeter loses his spot; the bombers don't have anyone to man the hot corner and boom! One unhappy owner.

Also Joe Torre is on the Hot seat. Of course, Don Zimmer left because of difficulties with George. George could get to a point where he has had enough of Torre, and an interim manager comes in. The interim will then have to deal with the Texas-sized egos in the clubhouse that linger like a bad odor or dumb jingle. The Red Sox are basically like a soap opera, a good one though. People get very emotional over this team. And people follow them very closely. Where else would you see grown men yelling at their television sets, "Pedro, just learn when you have to pass the torch". We have a bullpen now! It's Okay.

It's funny because now, our starters really have a lot of pressure taken off their shoulders. If a starter can give the team a solid six innings, that's all we need. Between Mike Timlin, Alan Embree, Scott Williamson, and Foulke, closing out a game should be no problem. Hopefully, it won't be a problem.

The front office has learned that the guy on the hill is the most important player on the field. Now that new manager Terry Francona can dip into the Boston pitching well to win a game is a huge reassurance. Last year the Sox won because the unstoppable juggernaut on offense averaged almost six runs a game. With a rotation that is solid from top to bottom, and an offense with half of that productivity, the Sox will make a push for the pennant.

Down in Fort Myers, under the palm trees, in 70-degree weather, with beaches and white endless sand... oh, sorry. Just thinking about what life is like down there. Anyway, this can be the year the BoSox go the distance. All they need to do is take a lesson from the Patriots and use some teamwork. It will take them far. Or should I say, " It'll take 'em fah."

As long as Nomah, Lowe and Varitek can settle their contract disputes, they could be atop the baseball world for many years to come. If the can't stay, Theo will surely do what's best for the Red Sox, hopefully for a long, long time.

Louie Cimaglia is a 13-year-old boy from Wilmington who writes a weekly column.

Hall of Fame seeks nominations by March 3

The Wilmington High School Hall of Fame Committee has announced that the nomination deadline for this year is Wednesday, March 3, 2004. All nominations must be postmarked no later than the deadline in order to be considered.

Established in 1990, Wilmington's Hall of Fame honors the school's athletes, coaches, benefactors, and special contributors.

The selection process is based on the rule that the candidates for induction be evaluated on what they did in sports while at Wilmington High exclusively. Achievements in sports while at college or at the professional level will have no bearing on the selection committees deliberations.

To be eligible for nomination, the athletes must have participated in at least one varsity sport. Athletes nominated for the Hall of Fame must have graduated at least ten years prior to nomination.

All nominations should be sent to:

Ms Cheryl Tavares - WHS Athletic Hall of Fame
Wilmington High School
159 Church Street
Wilmington, MA. 01887

Rams take care of Generals in first round of tourney

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

BILLERICA -If the old saying that defenses wins championships holds true in the Division 3 North boys basketball Tournament then the Shawsheen Tech boys basketball team will be a force to be reckoned with as the tourney moves into its later rounds.

Using a stifling defensive effort, the fourth seeded Rams held a powerful Hamilton-Wenham offense completely in check en route to a 41-28 win in the opening round of tourney play on Tuesday night at the Cook Street Pavilion.

The win improved their record to 17-4 overall. Hamilton Wenham of the Cape Ann League came into the game as the number 13 seed and ended their season with an 11-10 record.

"We got a spectacular defensive effort from everyone," Rams coach Ron Nowakowski said. "They had a hand in their face every time they went up for a shot. This is a talented team we faced tonight. They scored 65 points in their game the other night."

Along with the outstanding defense the Rams were led one a gain by the offensive prowess of forward Mike Gore of Wilmington. The Commonwealth Athletic Conference MVP showed why he earned those honors with 16 points and eight rebounds. Ten of Gore's points came in the first half when the Rams took control of the game and went to the break with a 24-12 lead.

The Rams also got outstanding efforts from senior guard Chuck Timmins who had 13 points and senior center Sean Sullivan who was held to just four points, but had eight big rebounds and controlled the glass all night.

In the early going both teams were struggling offensively. With almost four minutes gone in the game, the Rams trailed by a score of 3-2, with Hamilton-Wenham's only basket coming on a three pointer by Brian Butterworth and the Rams only two points coming on a pair of Sullivan free throws. Shawsheen did not score their first field goal until the 12:22 mark when Gore hit a short jumper.

"It may have been a case of nerves in the early going, but on the other hand they are also a very good defensive team," Nowakowski said. "Our kids stayed with it though, and they hung in there."

The Rams did more than merely hang in there as the half moved on. With the score 6-5, the Rams got a hoop from Gore and then a three pointer from the corner by Timmins to take an 11-5 lead with 9:30 left in the half.

After a Butterworth three pointer pulled the Generals to within 11-8, the Rams got seven straight points to take control of the game and they never led by less than eight points for the remainder of the game. Two Gore buckets surrounded a Shaun Benoit three point bomb and made the score 18-8 in favor of the Rams and sent the Cook St. crowd into a frenzy.

"Our kids just kept working at it and the shots started to fall," Nowakowski said. "And they never let up the defensive intensity."

The only other field goal for Hamilton-Wenham in the first half once again came from Butterworth, who drained another three pointer at the 4:45 mark. Butterworth scored nine points in the first half, getting all of the General field goals on three three pointers. Their only other points came from three free throws.

Gore capped the scoring in the first half by hitting a jumper with 30 seconds left to give the Rams the 24-12 advantage as the teams headed to the locker rooms.

The second half started much as the first half did with both teams struggling offensively at the start. Sullivan hit a bucket in the opening seconds of the half and then the defenses for both teams took over. Finally a three pointer by Hamilton-Wenham's Matt Tafft broke the skein and made the score 26-15 in favor of the Rams with 10:47 left in the game.

Hamilton-Wenham got as close as nine points just once and that was at 32-230 when Tim Puopolo hit a free throw for the Generals with 5:14 left in the game. A big reason the Generals never got any closer in the second half was that the Rams shut down their only offensive weapon in Butterworth. The high scoring forward was held scoreless in the second half.

"We did a great job on him in the second half," Nowakowski said. "He is a very good player and we were able to shut him down."

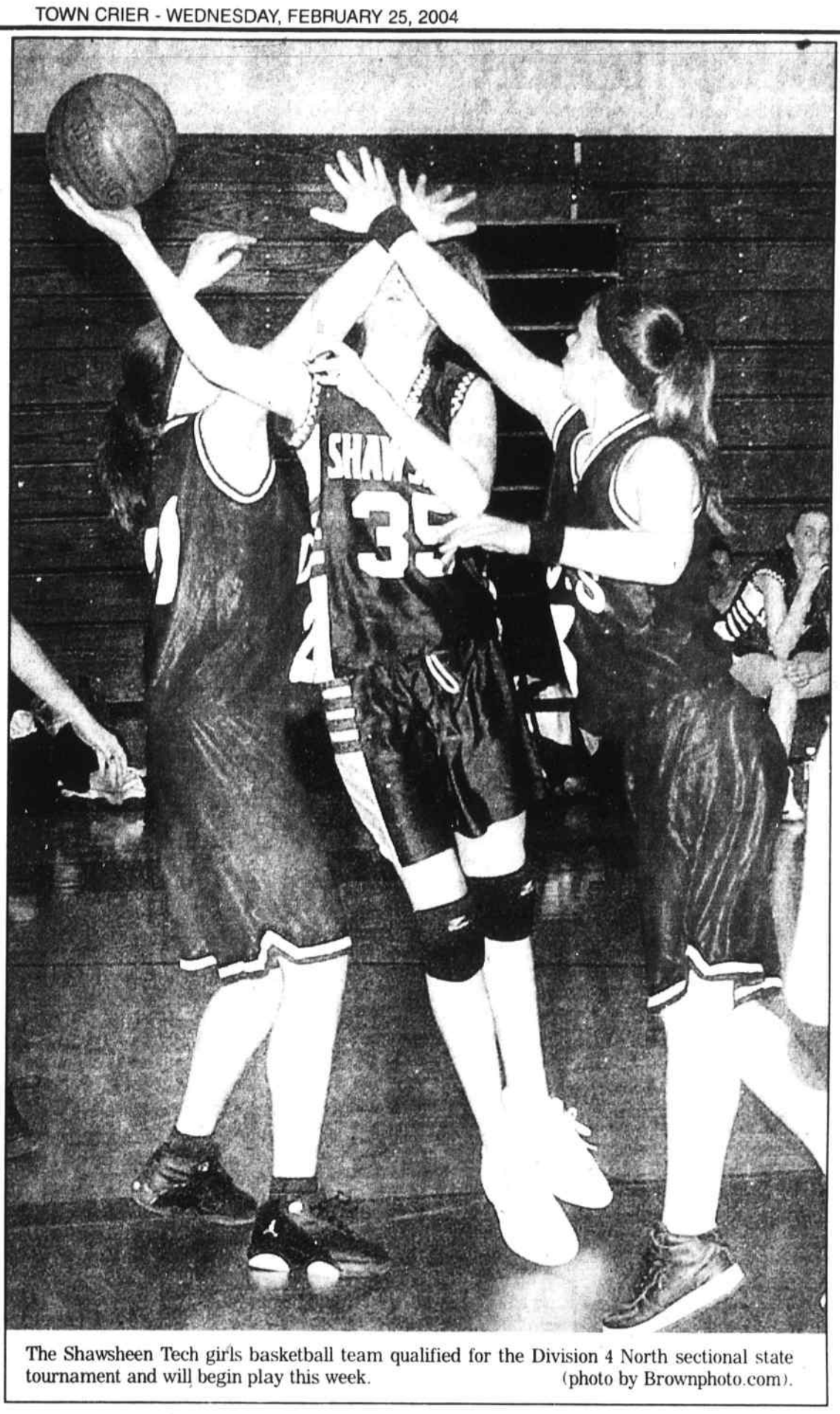
As Nowakowski stressed several times the overall defensive effort was outstanding, and no one was more responsible for that than Sullivan in the middle.

"Sean did an outstanding job for us," Nowakowski said. "He had eight rebounds and just his presence in the middle was a huge lift for us."

If the Generals had any thoughts about getting back in the game they were quickly squelched when Gore hit a layup and Timmins put in the final dagger with a three pointer with 2:25 left.

After a big win over a talented Cape Ann League opponent like Hamilton-Wenham, the Rams are eagerly looking forward to their next opponent who will either be fifth seeded Bedford or 12th seeded Newburyport. Either way, the Rams will host the game on Friday night at 7:00 pm at the Cook Street Pavilion.

"We hope to improve on the offensive end a little and keep up the same type of defense regardless of who we play," Nowakowski said. "Hopefully this win will give us some momentum heading in the second round."



The Shawsheen Tech girls basketball team qualified for the Division 4 North sectional state tournament and will begin play this week. (photo by Brownphoto.com).

Basketball showcase, March 14

New England High School Sports (NEHSS) will host a Boys and Girls Basketball Showcase at Bridgewater State College, March 14, 2003 in Bridgewater, MA. Below are the announcements and dates. Please run these in your "Sports Bulletin Board" column.

NEHSS is starting its thirteenth year of helping student athletes evaluate their college athletic ability, understand the recruiting process and begin to develop visibility with college coaches to generate potential scholarship opportunities.

Each student is evaluated by our professional staff of current and former high school and college coaches, can attend a free 60 minute seminar on the basics of college athletic recruiting (presented by College Prospects of America, a nationally recognized resource on recruiting), and has the opportunity to compete in front of college coaches from New England and New York as well as have academic and athletic information forwarded to interested coaches after the event.

Sailboating course set to begin on April 26

An introductory, "Sailboating for Beginners" course is scheduled to begin on April 26, 2004, in Newburyport, MA, and will meet Monday evenings, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, for four weeks.

This is an annual course, which is open to the general public, sailors and powerboaters, and no previous boating experience is necessary.

This course is designed to meet the needs of Both the "beginner", who want to learn more about sailboating and boating safety, as well as for the "non-sailing power boaters," who may want to either broaden their skills or simply get a better understanding of the "sailing crowd", their sailing habits, maneuvers, limitations, etc.

This course will include: sailboat theory and techniques; boating safety; rules of the road; basic piloting and navigation; popular knots; marine electronics; winds and weather; boating terminology; and safe, boat handling skills.

The instructors are all "seasoned" sailors/mariners with impressive credentials, who have enjoyed decades of assorted boating experiences, including "blue water' voyages, marina management, cruising to the Bahamas, etc.

The course will be conducted in the "Sail Loft" sections of the three co-sponsoring Newburyport, MA, restaurants: the Ten Center St., on the GROG, and the BluWater Cafe. Participants will have full food and beverage service available to them throughout each presentation. (The first session will meet at the Ten Center Restaurant.)

Registration forms may be obtained at the restaurants, or calling (978) 502-9330, or E-mailing to: highseasjohn@yahoo.com. The Course fee of $69 is payable with registration, as seating for this popular course will be on a "first-come" basis.

Baseball umpires clinic offered

Wilmington President Ken Meuse announced recently that the Greater Lowell Baseball Umpires Association will conduct clinics for prospective umpires on March 9, 16, 23, and 30 at Shawsheen Valley Technical High School in Billerica.

The initial clinic on Tuesday night, March 9, starts at 7 O'clock with clinician Bob Dicey in charge. The annual written state (MBUA) exam will be given on April 6.

Any person 16 years of age or older is eligible to apply for membership in the association. Applications may be procured at the clinics. A fee of $100 should accompany each application.

Additional clinics are set for Shawsheen Tech on Tuesday, March 16, 23, and 30 at 7 PM in room 314.

Anyone interested should contact Bob Dicey at 603-598-1686, Ron Fusco at 978-663-3136 or Len Tatarouns at 978-663-4098 or at the association website www.glbua.com

Have a Sports Story
EM@IL IT
jamie@yourtowncrier.com
Deadline is Monday 5 p.m.

Gore takes charge early on

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

Shawsheen Tech forward Mike Gore has made a habit of playing his best in big game regardless of the sport. Whether it be a throwing two touchdowns in a Thanksgiving Day win for the football team or leading his team in scoring in a key basketball game, the senior from Wilmington has come to be the player that the Rams can count on in the clutch.

Tuesday night at the Cook Street Pavilion in the Rams first round game of the Division 3 North Tournament was no different, as Gore led the Rams in scoring with 16 points and also pulled down six rebounds in the Rams 41-28 win over Hamilton-Wenham.

One thing that Gore has always put ahead of individual accomplishments has been the goals and accomplishments of his team. And Tuesday was no different as Gore was happier for his teammates than himself after the win.

"Most of us are seniors so we know that if we want to keep playing together we have to keep winning," Gore said. "This was a huge win for us tonight. That's what tournament play is all about."

If the Rams are going to continue in the tournament they will likely face more teams that are equally as tough as Hamilton-Wenham. Their rivals from the Cape Ann League provided a unique challenge for the Rams, but Gore and his teammates responded very well.

"They were a tough team," Gore said. "They played a lot of man to man which we had not seen much this year, but we made the adjustments to it and did pretty well."

Gore was a big reason when the Rams were able to do well offensively. With both teams struggling at the outset it was Gore who got the Rams going, scoring ten first half points to give the Rams a 24-12 halftime lead. Gore also put the finishing touches on the win, scoring the Rams the final six points to cap the victory.

"Mike Gore was outstanding for us tonight," Nowakowski said. "He got into a little foul trouble tonight, but he did not let that affect his overall play. He scored those last six points of the game with four fouls on him. That says a lot about his character."

Gore has shown plenty of character and plenty of ability all season and it earned him his second consecutive Commonwealth Athletic Conference MVP. Gore was honored and humbled by the award, but said that although it is an individual award, it goes far beyond that.

"It's always nice to get an award like that," Gore said. "But if the team isn't winning awards like that don't mean anything. It's great to get that kind of award, but it's more important that we keep winning."

Whether or not Gore wants to admit it, he will be a big reason why the Rams may be able to go deep into the playoffs. Nowakowski is counting on his clutch senior to continue his stellar play in the upcoming rounds.

"Mike is a two time MVP and he deserves the honor," Nowakowski said. "He is an outstanding young man and he is one of our team leaders. He doesn't say a lot, but he is a leader by the way he goes out there and plays every game."

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Rams ice hockey team opens tourney against Medway

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

Appearing in the post season has become almost a formality for the Shawsheen Tech hockey team, as they have qualified for tournament play in each of the last four seasons as well as a remarkable 30 of 32 years of the program's existence.

What has become a problem for the Rams in recent years, however, has been advancing in the tournament. Last year was no exception, as they were eliminated in the first round of the MIAA Division 3 North Tournament by Concord-Carlisle.

The Rams will be looking to reverse that trend when they travel to Stoneham on Sunday afternoon at 4:00 to take on Medway in the first round of this year's Division 3 North Tournament. The Rams, who enter the game with a record of 9-7-3 are seeded 13th, while the fourth seeded Mustangs will bring a record of 15-4-1 into the game.

With the amount of scouting of opponents that Rams coach Bill Gordon and his staff have done throughout the year, it is simply some bad luck that the Mustangs are one of the few teams that they have not seen this season. Even so, Gordon feels he has somewhat of an idea of what his team will be facing on Sunday.

Medway finished second in the Tri-Valley League this season, just slightly ahead of Hopkinton, whom the Rams played to a 5-5 tie earlier this season. Medway split two meetings with Hopkinton this year. The Rams also played Medway two years ago.

"We don,t know much about them, but we know how they have done against Hopkinton and how we did against Hopkinton," Gordon said. "We always try to play a team from the Tri-Valley League every year because they always supply good teams. They are going to be a formidable opponent."

The Rams have played several formidable opponents this season in an attempt to be tournament ready. While they rolled through their Commonwealth Athletic Conference schedule this season to a tune of a 7-1-1 league record, which put them in second place behind Tyngsboro, the Rams struggled in several of their non-league contests. Gordon feels that playing the tough non-league schedule has had both its benefits and drawbacks for his team this season.

"It's kind of a split decision. In terms of playing against bigger, stronger players it's a big advantage for us. It can't hurt us,‰ Gordon said. "The damage could be psychological because we have not won those games. It remains to be seen if we can overcome that."

Attempting to help the Rams overcome both psychological and physical challenges will be freshman goaltender Steve Leighton of Tewksbury. The Rams struggled with their goaltending for much of the season, but Leighton has stepped up recently and earned the tall task of leading his team into the playoffs,

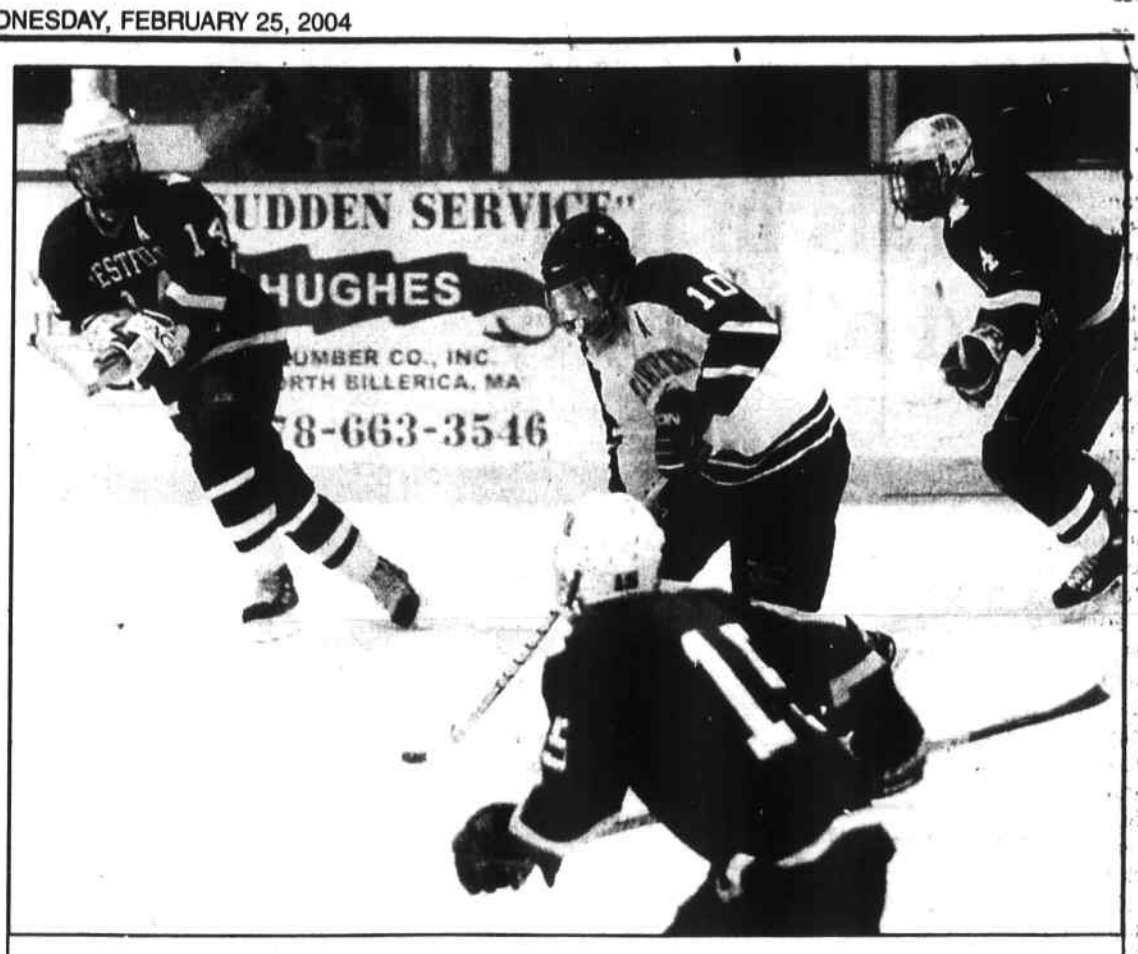
"Nobody really took the job away so based on the way Steve played in the games he was in we felt he was the best choice," Gordon said. "Of course it's a risk going with a freshman in the tournament, but he has gotten some good experience in the regular season and that should help in the tournament. He has earned the opportunity."

Leighton will have plenty of help in front of him as the Rams placed five players on the CAC All-Star team. Leading the way for the Rams was league co-MVP Bobby Giordano, a junior. Giordano led the league in scoring with 17 goals and 30 assists for 47 points. Giordano, along with junior defenseman Bryan Dulong (3-3-6) were also selected as All-Conference All-Stars.

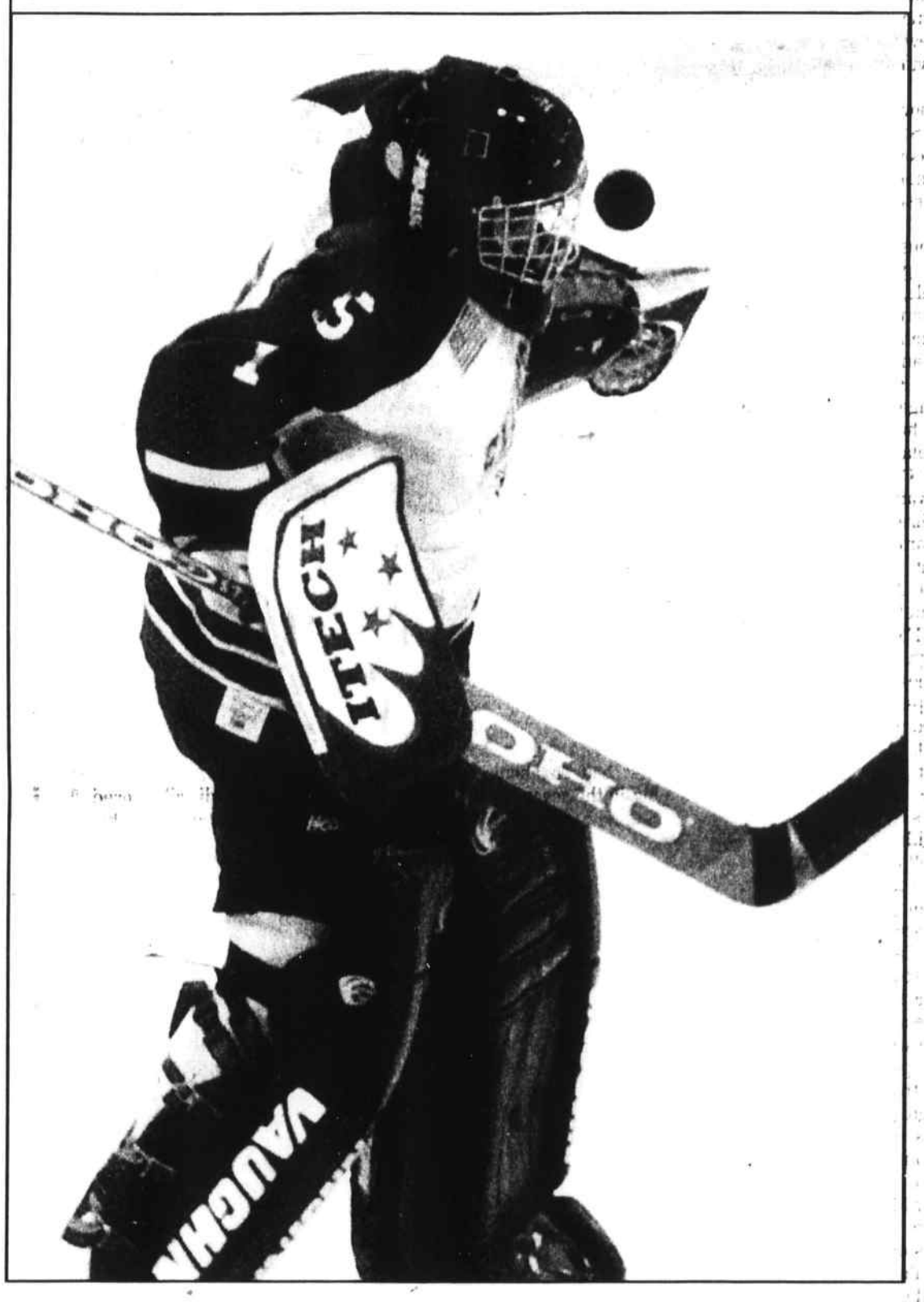
The other three league all-stars for the Rams were also all juniors. Defenseman Hank Chase of Tewksbury (5-9-14), wing John Higgins (12-12-24) and wing Kyle Browne of Wilmington (12-12-25) were all honored.

With his core of talented players, Gordon knows his team has the ability to advance in the tourney, but now they must go out and prove it.

"You work hard all year long to make the tournament and that is an accomplishment all on its won. But now we have to take the next step," Gordon said. "Our goal is not just to win one game in the tournament, but to win as many as we can."



The Shawsheen Tech ice hockey team opens play in the Division 3 North sectional tournament for the 30th time in the program's 32 years with a match-up Sunday against Medway. Above forward Joe Giordano takes the puck out of the zone, and below goalie Steve Leighton makes a save during a recent CAC game. (photos by Brownphoto.com).



TMHS Hall of Fame banquet, April 2

The 10th annual Tewksbury Memorial High School Athletic Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremony will be held on Friday, April 2, 2004 at the Tewksbury Country Club on Main Street, Tewksbury, MA.

This years inductees are as follows:

Ryan D. McNeal "93"
Timothy Lightfoot "91"
Christopher Scott Mader "88"
Rob Alyward "86"
Michael Hurton "76"
Joanne Aldrich "72"
Richard E. Fortier "50"

All tickets are $35.00 each and are now available at the TMHS Athletic Office, 320 Pleasant Street, Tewksbury. The deadline for ticket purchases is Friday, March 26. Please visit the office or call at (978) 640-7834.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing well be held in Town Hall , Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA. 01887, on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at 7:20 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Paul Winchell, Wilfab Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 328, Carolla, N.C. 27927, applicant; Paul and Robert Winchell, 235 Andover Street, Wilmington MA. 01887, owners. The applicant is filing this Notice of Intent in order to obtain a Certificate of Compliance for the existing construction; the origional Order of Conditions has expired. This work is within the 100 foot buffer zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA. Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect.40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located on Assessor's Map R1 Parcel 111, 235 Andover Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

2.25.04 James Morris, Chair
3809 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 04P0320AD1

In the Estate of **DAVID E. FITZGERALD**
Late of **HALLANDALE FL.**, leaving property in **WILMINGTON**
In the County of **BROWARD**
Date of Death **JANUARY 30, 2003**

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATRIX

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that **GLORIA BABCOCK FITZGERALD** of **PEMBROKE PINES**, in the State of **Florida**, or some other suitable person be appointed administratrix, of said estate to serve without surety.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance is said court at Cambridge on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 AM) on March 8, 2004.

WITNESS, HON. BEVERLY WEINGER BOORSTEIN, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this day, February 9, 2004.

2.25.04 John R. Buonomo
3817 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on March 15, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 9-2004 John M. Koster c/o R. Peterson Map 41 Parcel 137B

To acquire a variance from Standard Dimensional Regulations (Table II) section 5.2.1 and 5.2.3 to construct a single family dwelling on a lot having insufficient area and depth for property located on 3 Naples Road.

Case 10-2004
Patricia J. Dalton
Map 51 Parcel 8

Seeking a determination under section 6.1.2.1 of the Wilmington Zoning Bylaw that a proposed alteration to nonconforming structure does not increase any portion of the nonconforming nature of the existing structure (existing lot has insufficient width, front and side yard setbacks- proposing an addition meeting the setback requirements) for property located on 114 Church Street.

Case 11-2004 Keith James Realty Trust
Map 44 Parcel 17

Seeking a determination under section 6.1.2.1 of the Wilmington Zoning Bylaw that a proposed alteration to a nonconforming structure does not increase any portion of the nonconforming nature of the existing structure (existing lot has insufficient area and depth-proposing to demolish the existing dwelling and building a dwelling meeting the setback requirements) for property located on 1 Hobson Avenue.

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
COMPLAINT TO FORECLOSURE TAX LIEN

(seal) NO. 125997 T.L

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, and to **Stella T. Burrows**, also Known as **Stella G. Burrows**, deceased, formerly of **Boston, Suffolk** County, said Commonwealth; **Violet Baker**, now or formerly of **Boston, Suffolk** County, said Commonwealth; **Phillip Fisher** and **Richard Rodman**, both now or formerly of **Burlington, Middlesex** County, said Commonwealth; **Douglas Fisher**, now or formerly of **Salem**, in the State of **New Hampshire**; **John Fisher and Karen Parker**, both now or formerly of **Lynn, Essex** County, said Commonwealth; **Donald Fisher**, now or formerly of **Vernon**, in the State of **New Jersey**; **Doris Morrissey**, now or formerly of **Merrimack**, in the State of **New Hampshire, Gwendolyn Ethier**, now or formerly of **Billerica, Middlesex** County, said Commonwealth, **Nancy Ann Rodman and Robert Rodman**, both now or formerly of **Woburn, Middlesex** County, said Commonwealth; or their heirs, devisees or legal representatives:

Whereas, a certain complaint has been presented to said Court by the Town of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth, to foreclose all rights of redemption from the tax lien proceeding described in said complaint in and concerning a certain parcel of land situate in said Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex, and in said Commonwealth, bounded and described in said complaint as follows:

Land in said Wilmington, with the buildings thereon, on Lake St., shown as Parcel 71B on Assessor's Map 34.

If you desire to make an objection or defense to said complaint you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer, under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said complaint, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Courthouse located on 226 Causeway Street, Boston, MA. 02114), on or before the twelfth day of April next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said complaint will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred form contesting said complaint or any judgment entered thereon.

And in addition to the usual service of this notice as required by law, it is ordered that the foregoing citation be published forthwith once in the Town Crier, a newspaper published in said Wilmington.

Witness, KARYN F. SCHEIER, Esquire, Chief Justice of said Court, this eighteenth day of February in the year two thousand and four.

Attest with Seal of said Court.

2.25.04 Deborah J. Patterson
3813 Recorder

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WIILMINGTON

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PLANNING BOARD

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A, Section 5, the Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 16, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Auditorium at 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on the Zoning Articles proposed for the Warrant at the Annual Town Meeting to be held April 24, 2004. The public Hearing will be conducted jointly with the Finance Committee:

The following Zoning Articles will be considered at this Public Hearing:

• To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw and associated Zoning Map of the Town of Wilmington by voting to rezone from General Industrial (GI) to Central Business (CB) the parcel of land located at 355 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington, Massachusetts and shown as Map 79 Parcel 31; or do anything in relation thereto.

• To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw and associated Zoning Map of the Town of Wilmington by voting to rezone from Residential 60 (R60) to Residential 20 (R20) the following described parcels of land: Parcels 4 (12,469 Square Feet) and 4D (12,469 Square Feet) on Assessor's Map 11 located between Dorchester Street, Third Avenue, and Edgeworth Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts; or do anything in relation thereto.

• To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw and associated Zoning Map of the Town of Wilmington by voting to rezone from Residential 60 (R60) to Residential 20 (R20) the following described parcels of land: Parcels 4C (25,000 Square Feet) and 4E (10,000 Square Feet) (currently combined as Lot 4C) on Assessor's Map 11 located on Dorchester Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts; or do anything in relation thereto.

• To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw of the Town of Wilmington by amending Section 6.1 Nonconforming Uses and Structures. The amendment clarifies certain provisions, such as when a nonconforming use or structure may be changed, when a special permit form the Board of Appeals is required, and when and how a nonconforming structure may be reconstructed after catastrophe or demolition. The proposed bylaw simplifies the process by allowing a building permit to be issued for a change to a pre-existing non-conforming single or two family residential structure after a determination by the Inspector of Buildings that the proposed change does not increase the nonconforming nature of the structure.

Full text and map of the zoning amendments may be inspected at the Town Hall, Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, Ma, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

2.25.04,3.3.04 Michael Sorrentino, Chair
3799 Wilmington Planning Board

Wisconsin defeats Michigan State, 26-10, in WRBL action

Boys Grade 3

Wisconsin 26 Michigan St. 10

Wisconsin's Brandon Keefe, Sam Borsetti, and Jesse Pattora had great games as Wisconsin went on to win this game. Nichols, Maher and Sweeney played well for Michigan State.

Ohio St 22, Purdue 8

Joe Spinale, Eric Randall, Colin Doherty, had a hand in this Ohio State win. Purdue had great play from Wayne Barme, Drew Bubine, and Kevin White.

Penn St. 16, Illinois 12

Marco Zappala, Ryan Cocca, and Brian Priem drove the winning effort for Penn State. Illinois countered with great efforts by Tim Woods, Matt Bouteras, and Alex Condell.

Michigan 19, Indiana 14

Michigan led by Justin Mackinnon, Conner Burke, and Sam Silva defeated Indiana who got great hustle from Tim Penny, Patrick Barry, and Paul Oliver.

Big 10 3rd Grade Boys

Michigan 14, Illinois 10

Michigan's Anthony Federico, Jack Campbell, and Ryan Kennedy had great games in this win. Illinois had outstanding effort from Joe Murphy, Matt Ruff, and Tyler Vibert.

Purdue 23, Penn St. 12

Wayne Hyun, Anthony Scurto, Andrew Cardarelli led Purdue in this winning effort. Daniel Hope, John Reed, and Devan Dembowski were outstanding for Penn State.

Wisconsin 18, Ohio St. 15

Nicholas Dirienzo, Jesse Patterson, and Tom Letellier drove the winning effort for Wisconsin. Ohio State countered with great hustle from Joe Spinale, Colin Doherty, and Dan Sullivan.

Indiana 16, Michigan St. 6

Indiana led by Stephen Halis, Dan Fothergill, and Steven Colangelo. Michigan State got great hustle from Maher, Carroll, Homola, and Stein.

W.A.C. 4th Grade Boys

Hawaii 30, Air Force 20

A three by Ken Fryer to start the game helped Hawaii to a hard fought win. Mike Brent, Cale Peffer, Adam Ditocco, and Chris Piccatelli each scored for Hawaii. Air Force wouldn't give up though. Ryan Bradley, Kyle Albonese with 14 points, Wayne Knoops, and Dan Fitzgerald each scored for Air Force.

Utah 25, Wyoming 21

Best game of the day. A close game all the way to the end. Utah's Kyle Peach was high scorer with 12. Cody Cerra, Matt Costello, and Nathan Grimley each scored to secure the win. Wyoming's Nick Wayland was high scorer with 8. Dan Pothier, Nick Cascia, and John Parsons each scored. Great game.

Rice 30, UNLV 11

Rice's Tom See started the game with two 3 pointers. Then every player on the team scored after that in a great team effort. A highlight of this day was first points scored by Tony Silva and Anthony Fino. John Keough put up two 3 pointers.

New Mexico 36, BYU 10

Mark Aruda put in his first points of the season with a great shot along with Alex Danes, Mike Biondo, and Nick Louse who all got 2 for BYU. For New Mexico Dave Ryquiel put in his first points to help secure a win for New Mexico. Tim McCarthy, Kyle Skinner, and big Phil Lentini each scored for New Mexico.

Big East 5th Grade Boys

St. John's 38, Providence 29

St John's was led by Derek Duggan with 12 points, Mike Arria with eight and Adam Paquette and Matt Cardarelli with four points apiece. Matt Devoe, Matt McKenna and Justin Rhodes played a great all-around game for the winners Cody O'Connor scored eight points, Andrew Spurr added six and James Bonish scored five points for Providence. Steve Rodenhiser, James DeRosa and Tim Barnard dished out a number of assists throughout the game.

Georgetown 27, Syracuse 26

Jon Biondo, Tyler Hrebner and Derek Queen each scored six points for Georgetown. Cameron Garrant, Craig Benard and Jesse Bozzella dished out numerous assists. Rob Fisher scored five points while Derek O,Dea and Steve Delle Pelle each added four points in this hard fought battle. Also playing well were Kevin Mitchell, Sean Hanley and Ben Levine.

Notre Dame 37, Villanova 23

Andrew Wells led the Notre Dame with 15 points while Adam Kline added seven and Mike Gracia scored five points. Jon Terlaga, Anthony Lodato and Shaun Adams played great team defense. Mark Doremus and Brendan Brennick each scored five points while Robert Cameron added three points in this well played game. Teammates John Arvantis, Nick Kakleas and Chris De Cecca also played an awesome game and scored some key buckets for the Wildcats.

Big 12 - 6th & 7th Grade Boys

Texas A&M 39, Texas Tech 28

Kevin Cronin was unstoppable as he led Texas A&M over Texas Tech. Leading scorers for Texas A&M were Kevin Cronin 20 points, Justin Chenevert 15, Richard Belding 2, and John Michaud added 2 points. Texas Tech was led in scoring by Cory Kulacz 10 points, Lenny Colometo 6, Jonathan Spurr 5, Ben Ferry 2, Greg Fields 3, and Dan MacKinnon added 2 points.

Nebraska 35, Baylor 31

Nebraska's great coaching and defense led them to a big win over Baylor. Nebraska was led in scoring by Michael Denufrio with 8 points, Matt Hachey 8, Omair Shaikh 6, Andrew Companeschi 5, Justin Direnzo 4, Josh Townsend 2, and Matt Bocchino added 2 points. Baylor was led in scoring by Michael Wilkinson 10 points, Jonathan See 8, Jason Baker 6, Bill Reynolds 3, and Cameron Shepard added 1 point.

Iowa St 32, Kansas 26

Steve Stewart's hot shooting and defense led Iowa St. over Kansas. Iowa St was lead in scoring by Steve Stewart with 13 points, Tyler Whalen 8, Dan Dellisola 5, Andrew Cazeau 2, Joe Rastelini 2, and Nick Danas added 2 points. Kansas was led in scoring by Michael Murphy with 7 points, Jeff Kannally 7, Matt Kincaid 2, Dave McNee 2, Alex Leiskau 2, Brandon Anderson 2, and Sean Sullivan added 2 points.

Colorado 49, Texas 39

Colorado's rebounding was the difference as they defeated a very good Texas team. Colorado was led in scoring by Scott Bonica 10 points, Jonathan Rizzo with 8 points, Nick Boutoures 8, Sean Keane 8, Anthony Vibert 6, Andrew Flood 5, Chris Crowley 2, and Andrew Flodin added 2 points. Texas was led in scoring by Chris O,Brien 8, Brendan Fullerton 8, Ronnie Ditullio 6, Chris Greenwood 6, Tom Pepetto 4, Brendan Sweeney 2, and Dylan Reed added 2 points.

Kansas St. 31, Missouri 14

Kansas St. was led in scoring by Ryan Savini 13 points, Matt Capozzi 8, Cory Mason 6, Mike Kelly 3, Mark Scullari 2 and Matt Scullari 1 point. Missouri was led in scoring by Brad Jackson 4, Dan McCarthy 4, James Mara 4, and Sean Furlong added 2 points.

Oklahoma 39, Oklahoma St. 36

After being down 18 to 0 in the first half Oklahoma came back big in the second half to pull out a tough win. Oklahoma was led in scoring by Tim Korajczyk with 16 points, Ryan McCarthy 7, Scott Bonish 4, Ryan Derian 4, D.J. Morse 4, Matt Celeste 4, and Pat Enwright added 2 points. Oklahoma St. was led in scoring by Josh Weaver with 10 points, Matt Sullivan 9, Ian Sullivan 8, William McGrath 4, Andrew McGrath 2, Scott Madaylia 2, and Joe Warren added 1 point.

NBA 8th - 10th Grade Boys

Knicks 49, Grizzlies 47

The Knicks downed the Grizzlies 49 - 47. Leading scorers for the Knicks were John Olivere with 18 points and Kevin Carter with 11. Their teammates Zach Church, Balu Vemula and Pradheap Vemula also played well. Dan Patterson scored 17 points, Bobby Donahue scored 10 and William Starratt notched nine points for the Grizzlies. Keith Quigley, Brett Robbins, Mike Barry and Marc Grassia also hustled on defense for the Grizzlies.

Magic 67, Lakers 37

Zach Fahey scored 16 points, Tim Forte added 12 and Matt Derian scored nine points for the Magic. Shawn Fahey, Mike Condell and Anthony Liberatore dished out a number of assists to lead their team on to victory. Derek Stukey scored 11 points, Matt Hope added seven and Alex Kittredge scored six points in a noble effort. Mike Hayes, Nick Robarge and Patrick Cassidy also played a great all-around game.

Celtics 27, Bulls 26

Leading their team on to victory were Nick Hogan with eight points, Matt Bibeau with five, and Mike Cavanaugh and David Rak with four apiece. Mike Enwright and Justin Loguidice also chipped in with key baskets. Despite the tough loss, P.J. Russo scored 17 points, Rocco Puccio scored five as did Ryan Smiddy. Ernie Mello, Nick Zappala and Dan Evans played intense defense throughout the game.

Hornets 53, Wizards 52

The Hornets edged the Wizards 53 - 52. Leading the way for the Hornets were Steve Potchner with 20 points, Kevin Skinner with 12 and Shane Simbeck with nine points. Trevor Cormier, Charlie Waite and Dan Kline scored key buckets for the winners. Jeff Youngclaus scored 12 points, Pat Ryan added ten and Mike Fogarty exploded for 17 points for the Wizards. Jared Waite, Robert McIsaac and Carl Lentini dished out a number of nice assists for the Wizards.

Cavaliers 55, Nets 39

The Cavaliers upended the Nets 55 - 39. Joe Gore scored 12 points as did Matt Brooks while Jesse Belding scored 11 and Nick Farnsworth notched ten points for the Cavaliers. John Tranfaglia also scored a bunch of points while Steve Tello and Chris Laven dished out a number of key assists. John Chirichiello scored 12 points while Steve Cruz cruised for 19 points. Ryan Fahey, John O,Brien and Dan Bemis also played intense defense for the Nets.

WNBA (Girls grade 7-10)

Mercury 35, Liberty 30

The Mercury made an incredible come-from-behind win to edge out the Liberty by 5 points. Christa Cavallaro and Danielle Bamberg continue to lead the Mercury as they combined for a total of 27 points. Cavallaro came away with 16 of the 27 and Bamberg with 11; including the big 3-point play to secure the Mercury,s victory. Tatum McNally had 4 points and Kasey Stokes and Lorraine Simoneau both had 2 points. Lauren Hitchins again led the Liberty with 10 points. Lisa Rooker was close behind with 8. Ali Lyman and Stephanie Lancione both had 4 points while Michelle Catania and Erin McMahon each had 2 points.

Sparks 21, Comets 18

The Sparks came away with their second victory in the season as they were led by Charlotte Jensen who had 10 points. Colleen Magee finished the day with 4 points as Devon Waite, Shannon Jones, and Jennifer Petinge all scored 2 points. Katelyn McGrath rounded off the scoring with 1 point. The Comets received offense from nearly every player present. Kaila Wholley was the leading scorer with 6 points. Stephanie Woods and Allison Barme were close behind with 4 points apiece. Devon Murphy and scored 2 and Alysse Sullivan and Alana Brush both scored a free throw.

Fire 36, Monarchs 12

Colleen Carroll led the Fire with 15 points; including a three-pointer. Samantha Souza was next in line with 11 points. Jenelle Femino and Melissa Mahoney each scored 4 points while Cassandra Longo scored 2. The Monarchs put up a great fight despite having only 6 people. Megan Keane, Stephanie Warnick, Kimberly Evans, Christine Ungaro, Jill Ennis, and Katrina Zaccardi all scored 2 points to give the Monarchs 12 points. Both teams played with great hustle on both ends of the court.

PAC 10 (Girls Grade 5 and 6)

Washington State 39, Washington 18

Jessica Stukey remains unstoppable as she scored 29 of Washington State's 39 points. Larissa Ingala contributed 6 points and Kelly Duffy and Shannon Keeley scored 2 each. Washington was led by Kristina Tummino with 8 points and Michelle Parece and Christiana Greenburg both had 4 points. Amelia Woodbury threw in 2 free throws to get the final 2 points for Washington. Kayla Rossetti, Lea Tamburello, Shannon Keefe, Megan McCool, Sherin Chakoian, and Hayley Robarge all displayed outstanding hustle throughout the game.

USC 26, Oregon 13

Kristina Lees, Jen Carroll, and Jessica Lees all led USC as they all scored 6 points. Nichole Cherubino had 4 points while Jenna Wholley and Laurel Pickett both had 2. Oregon is still looking for their first win as Michelle Winchell had 6 points, while Michelle Worthington, Nicole Neville, and Michelle Parece all scored 2 points. Amanda Barnes threw in the final point. Megan Cox, Erin Baranow, Ashley Micalizzi, and Michelle Bortone all contributed on the offensive and defensive ends of the court.

Arizona 29, California 13

Arizona dominated much of the game as Amy Fahey scored 19 of the 29 points. Stefany Barcellos followed behind with 4. Randi Davis, Tara Van Vranken, Jessica Levin, and Stephanie Weymouth all scored 2 points. Nicole Luz led California with 6 points. Elizabeth Crannell, Christine Woods, and Jacqui Lyman all scored 2 points. Alyssa Rosetti had the final point. Aliana Ciampa, Kristin Keller, Bryanna Parrow, and Lauren Contrada all displayed great determination and hustle on the court.

UCLA 24, Oregon St 19

Lisa Capozzi was the game-high scorer as she had 14 of UCLA's 24 points. Allison Robbins followed with 4 points. Jackie Zaremba, filling in, also had 4 points. Leigha Carroll and Ashley Gonzalez, filling in, both had 2 points. Taylor Hanley led Oregon State with 6 points followed by Vanessa Cowan with 4. Kayla Davidson had 3 while Emily D,Amelio, Jillian Lacey, and Victoria Lord all had 2 points.

Stanford 23, Arizona State 22

Stanford came back from a 12-0 deficit to win the game. Danielle Polcari was the game-high scorer with 9 points followed by Maggie Brown and Jessica Burke with 6 apiece. Kristin Crosby threw in the final 2 points for Stanford. Aubrey Ungvarsky and Elizabeth Jaeschke each scored 5 points to lead Arizona State. Close behind was Allison Robbins (filling in) and Chelsea Babcock, each with 4. Lauren Cole and Brittany Smith scored the final 4 points as they each scored 2. Jackie Zaremba and Kellyn Campbell, playing in her last game of the season, had outstanding performances.

Atlantic 10 (Girls grade 3 + 4)

LaSalle 14, Xavier 11

LaSalle came away with a close victory as Ryan Cahill was the leading scorer with 6 points. Jacqueline Parece was next in line with 4 points. Jessica Phelan and Brandie Queen both scored 2 points. Melissa Stafford led Xavier with 5 points as Erin Duffy scored 4. Caitlin O'Flaherty and Jenna Domek both had 1 point. Jacqueline Kennedy, Kerrianne Marino, Lauren Azevedo, Janelle Engrem, and Anna Siegel all played with great hustle and determination.

UMass 25, Fordham 18

UMass was led by the trio of Casey Browne, Caitlyn McDonough, and Kelly Cassidy, who had 6 points, 6 points, and 5 points respectively. Taylor Cushing threw in 4 while Colleen Brothers and Rachel McEvoy each had 2. Kathleen Kurowski and Lisa Hitchins both had 6 points to lead Fordham. Ryane Newhouse was close behind with 4 and Nicole Kakleas scored the final 2 points. Lisa Hitchins played a great defensive game despite her team,s loss. Megan Priem, Gianna Tummino, Melissa O'Donoghue, Kelly Fitzpatrick, Katie Blanch, and Casey Murray all supplied their teams with great offense and defense.

George Washington 18, St. Joe's 16

George Washington edged out St. Joe's as Cali Peffer, Ashley Walsh, and Kristin Ingala all scored 4 points. Emily Schuh, Michelle Woods, and Emily Erickson all scored 2 points. Emily Crannell did most of the scoring for George Washington with 12 points. Christina Wilson and Sarah Luz threw in the final 4 points. Brett Duffy and Delaney Gillis both played a great game and contributed on both ends of the floor.

Temple 11, Rhode Island 8

Rachel Grabar led Temple with 4 points as Alexa Brown was close behind with 3. Kelly Valletta and Michaela Hanson both had points. Meghan Stinson led Rhode Island with 4 points as Ashley White and Paige Bennett had 2 apiece. Rebecca McLaren, Jana Cyrus, Lauren Stalker, and Nicolette Webber all had outstanding games as they played well.

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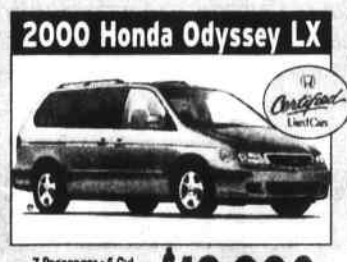
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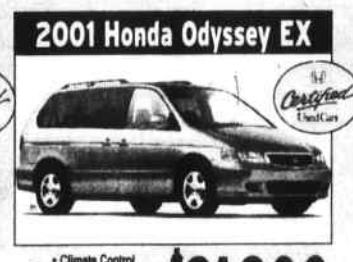
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Mite A's participate in Lock Monster tournament

The Wilmington Mite A's traveled to Lowell this past school vacation to participate in the Lowell Lockmonster's Mite tournament hosted by Tewksbury Youth Hockey. There were 5 teams in the Mite division with the top 2 teams advancing to the final. The top teams would be determined by the number of periods won or tied by the number of periods played. First up for the Cats was the team from Greater Lowell.

This game was over early, but the Cats still needed to win the periods. Brian Pickett collected the first goal of the tournament of a feed from Dylan Dinatale two minutes into the game. Drew Foley, followed with an end to end rush and scored a minute later. Brendan McDonough roofed a shot from a Pickett pass and Brian Healy banged in a rebound with helpers from Zach Malatesta and Tommy Townsend to give the Cats the first period 4-0.

The defense was busy as Kevin Muese, Drew Foley, Dan Luise, and Mike Diorio were active on the Lowell blue line keeping the pressure in the Lowell zone. Jimmy Davey didn't see much action as the play was mostly in offensive end but he did not allow anything to sneak past him.

The second period started like the first as Jay Rossetti scored 19 seconds into the period on a McDonough pass. Brian Healy sent McDonough in alone for his second tally of the game. Zach Malatesta took a feed from Mike Diorio and lit the lamp. Rossetti sent Pickett in alone for his second score of the game and the line of Zach Blanch, Matt Diorio and Dylan Dinatale worked a goal as Diorio fed Dinatale for the last score of the period to give the Cats that period 5-0.

After shifting players around, the Cats were able to muster the lone goal of the third period as Danny Luise tallied unassisted. Final score 3 periods won.

Next team up for the Cats was Acton-Boxboro. This team was certainly going to be a test for the Cats. With Jimmy Davey between the pipes, Acton-Boxboro would have their hands full trying to get one by him. The defensive line up remained the same as Drew Foley and Kevin Muese were pared as were Dan Luise and Mike Diorio. Both sets of defense did a stellar job of keeping the A/B forwards from getting any good looks at the net.

The Cats recorded the loan goal of the period as Jay Rossetti found Brain Pickett for the score. The Cats would take the second period 2-0 as Brendan McDonough was sent in alone by Dan Luise for his first of three of the day and on a face off in the offensive zone McDonough chipped the puck to the net where Rossetti tapped it to Pickett for his second of the day. The lines of Zach Blanch, Matt Diorio and Dylan Dinatale and Zach Malatesta, Brain Healy and Tommy Townsend were busy helping the defense as they were using their speed to get back to help the defense.

The third period was a different game as A/B had their backs against the wall and they recorded the first goal against the Cats in five periods. The defense of Muese, Foley, Luise and Diorio as well as Davey in the net were simply outstanding in this game and they were not deterred. McDonough notched his second of the game with assists from Rossetti and Pickett but A/B answered with their second of the period.

McDonough would score his hattrick with just 11 seconds left in the game with helpers form Foley and Rossetti (his 4th assist of the game) to half the period 2-2. Final score 2 1/2 periods won.

The Cats were in the drivers seat as they only needed half the periods with Tewksbury in their next contest. This game would be more of a challenge for the Cats as Pickett was out with the flu. McDonough answered the challenge as he deposited 5 of 6 Cats scores. Tewksbury would score first but McDonough answered unassisted. Tewksbury scored again but the goal was answered by McDonough with the Cats net empty to half the period 2-2. Tewksbury was able to score three goals to McDonough's one in the second period to take the period. The Cats were able to regroup in the third as McDonough scored the first two goals of the period wi

th the first helper going to Tommy Townsend and the second helper to Rossetti. Tewksbury got the next goal, but Danny Luise found the back of the net with a blast from the point to give the Cats the 3-1 win for the period and enough points to get to the finals. The Cats defense was superb in the third period as Jimmy Davey, Mike Diorio, Dan Luise and Kevin Muese would not let Tewksbury get anything going.

The forwards, Matt Diorio, Zach Blanch, Zach Malatesta, Brian Healy and Dylan Dinatale were skating hard to get back to help. Drew Foley was incredible keeping the Cats in the game early as Tewksbury was flying in this game.

The Cats would face off against Tewksbury in the finals. As the Cats had just played them there were no secrets on the other side. The Cats put their best lineup together and went with Jimmy Davey between the pipes. Jimmy came up big on this day as he kept the high flying forwards from Tewksbury to just 2 goals. Defensively Jimmy had lots of help as Drew Foley, Zach Blanch, Kevin Muese, and Danny Luise were called upon to slow the scoring attack of the Redmen.

The lines were set as Pickett centered Townsend and McDonough. Rossetti centered Matt Diorio and Dinatale and Mike Diorio centered Healy and Malatesta. Unfortunately, the Cats started out slow and Tewksbury was flying. Already down 1-0 Tewksbury scored what could have been a knockout punch as they scored one with 1.8 seconds left in period to go ahead 2-0.

The Cats finally got one past the Tewksbury netminder as some hard digging in the corner by Pickett got the puck to Tommy Townsend who one timed it into the far corner to give the Cats some hope. A minute later, Rossetti made his move to the net taking the Tewksbury defender wide and slipped the puck to Dylan Dinatale to tie the game at 2 apiece. Twelve minutes of hockey would decide the champion and the Cats would not let this chance pass them by.

Forwards McDonough, Matt Diorio, Mike Diorio, Brian Healy, and Zach Malatesta were attacking the puck trying to get the go ahead goal. The defense of Foley, Muese, Blanch, and Luise were playing their best hockey of the year and Jimmy Davey was not about to let anything get by. With 4:47 left on the clock, Drew Foley found some open ice - moved around a few Redmen and deposited the puck top shelf for what would be the game winning goal. The Cats still had to battle to keep Tewksbury off the board.

The Cats would dig down deep and play smart hockey killing the clock and preserving the victory by the narrowest of margins 3-2. With a big pizza celebration later in the day, and an invitation to be honored at the Lowell Lockmonsters game, this past Sunday the tournament was complete and the memories will last a lifetime. Thanks to the Tewksbury Tournament Committee for putting on a wonderful time for the kids.

After a big championship win at the Lock Monster Mite Tournament the Mite A's were expected to have a let down. However, the Cats rose to the occasion and came out with a quick 2 goals to leave Melrose behind 2-0 after 1 period. Brendan McDonough scored unassisted on a nice breakaway wristshot. Zach Malatesta scored crashing the net for a rebound goal with assists going to Drew Foley and Brendan McDonough.

The defense led by Zach Blanch,Dan Luise,Drew Foley and Kevin Muese were like a brickwall stopping any offense that Melrose tried to get going. They did an excellent job of passing to the wings and pinching in the offensive zone to keep the puck away from Jim Davey. Jim made the saves he needed to make when called upon and played his usual solid game.

The Cats scored 2 more goals in the 2nd period and led 4-0 after 2 periods. Brian Pickett scored unasssited on a breakaway wristshot beating the Melrose goalie top shelf. Dylan Dinatale scored on a strong wristshot with assists going to Jay Rossetti and Brian Healy. Tommy Townsend,Matt Diorio and Mike Diorio were banging bodies in the corners and creating havoc for the Melrose defense. Jay Rossetti was all over the ice creating scoring opportunities and backchecking relentlessly as he always does.

The Cats held off Melrose in the 3rd period with some great defensive plays from Dan Luise and Zach Blanch who frustrated the Melrose offense all game long. Drew Foley and Kevin Muese were dishing out some tremendous outlet passes to their wings and centers. Holding a team scoreless is no easy feat but the Cats D was outstanding this day. Final score Cats 4-0.

Game #6 in six days now had the weary Cats facing first place Burlington for a Saturday afternoon game. The Cats who earlier in the season were totally dominated by Burlington showed their true grit and character this game. The Cats skated stride for stride with Burlington this 1st period and even managed a 1-0 lead after Brendan McDonough banged home a Brian Pickett shot on net for a 1-0 lead. Jim Davey was outstanding in net making some spectacular saves that had the crowd on their feet.

The defense of Drew Foley, Kevin Muese, Dan Luise and Zach Blanch were playing solid D in front of Jim and helping the Cats break out of their zone. Mike Diorio, Matt Diorio and Dylan Dinatale worked hard as always in the corners creating some nice scoring opportunities for the Cats, Jay Rossetti was battling for loose pucks and breaking up plays with his all out backchecking.

However the Cats started to fade as Burlington(the sleeping giant) woke up and scored 3 unanswered goals in the 2nd period to take the lead 3-1. The Cats battled valiantly and played to the best of their ability but were just dead on their skates come the 3rd period. Brendan McDonough scored on a breakaway with a nice top shelf wristshot but that was all the offense the Cats could muster as Burlington dominated both ends of the ice. Final score Burlington 6-2 over the Cats. Thanks goes out to our sponsor Wilmington Arena authority.

A great week of fun hockey was had by the Cats with a big tournament championship and pizza party that followed. The Cats were 4-1-1 for the week and are looking forward to this weeks practices to prepare for next weeks games. This team has come a long way from last August and they are really playing some great hockey that is fun to watch.Tremendous job Cats!!!!

Pee Wee C's clash in a battle with Woburn

The Wilmington Pee Wee C's met Woburns Pee Wee C's in a valley league game at Ristuccia.

The Cats got on the board less than thirty seconds into the first period when the puck was cleared from the corner to Brett Kidik who is set up infront of the net to backhand it at the goalie. Jim Stokes grabbed the rebound and put it in. Tim Martens got the Cats second goal when he stole the puck from woburn at the blue line and skated in past their defense to backhand the puck into the net.

The defensive teams of Peter Leighton, Cori Michals, Steve Piscatelli, Brain Good, and Brian Fitzpatrick were on fire shutting the doors on Woburns attempts at the net. The Cats next goal of the period came when Kelly Brandano grabbed the puck and sent it across to Steve Piscatelli who shot from the blue line, Brett Kidik set himself up infront of the net getting the rebound. With less than a minute left in the period, Jim Stokes got the puck inside Woburn's zone and shot to Brett Kidik infront to tip in the shot. Jared Ravagni, Mark Flanagan, and Sean Keane each had some great attempts on net.

The lone goal of the second period came when Sam Grant shot from the boards to Peter Leighton who top shelved the puck past the goalie. The Cats first goal of the third period came when Kelly Brandano dug the puck out of the corner to Brett Kidik who shot then grabbed his own rebound earning himself a hattrick. Halfway through the third period, Ryan Derian won the faceoff and passed the puck to Tim Martens for his second goal of the game. Less than a minute later Jim Stokes grabbed the puck at the blue line and passed to Brett Kidik who skated past Woburns defense for the goal. Steve Cadigan was unbeatable between the pipes and got another shut out as the Cats win 8-0.

The Pee Wee C's met Billerica Pee Wee C's for Valley League play. The Cats came out skating hard and it payed off when less than four minutes into the first period Kelly Brandano grabbed the puck in the corner and passed to Tim Martens infront of the net who poked the puck past the goalie. The Cats next goal of the period came when Brett Kidik got the puck against the boards and set Peter Leighton up to skate in and deke the goalie.

With less than a minute left in the period, Kelly Brandano skated into Billerica's zone and passed the puck to Tim Martens who shot the puck past the goalie ending the period with a three goal lead. Billerica came out to score their first goal of the game when the puck got poked past Steve Cadigan. Less than a minute later, the Cats came back to score again when Sam Grant passed the puck to Tim Martens, who tipped it up to Kelly Brandano, who skated in and shot the puck past the goalie.

Billerica came back to get their second goal of the game at the end of the second period. The defensive teams of Brian Fitzpatrick, Steve Piscatelli, Brian Good and Cori Michals kept the play out of the Cats zone by feeding the puck up into the neutral zone setting up some great scoring attempts from Ryan Derian, Mark Flanagan, and Jared Ravagni each having some nice shots on net. Less than three minutes left in the third period, Sean Keane stole the puck from Billerica's offense and fed the puck up to Peter Leighton for his second goal of the game.

With less than a minute left in the game, Tim Martens got the puck and passed back to the point and Steve Piscatelli used his famous slapshot to get the Cats final goal giving them a 6-2 victory over Billerica.

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Youth girls hockey team climbing the charts

Since last report, the Wilmington Girls Squirt hockey team has continued to set the pace in the Route One League. The Wildcats opened the month by beating the Winthrop Vikings 3-2. Bridget Griffin tallied twice, one assisted by Jessica Denorscia and Caroline Robarge, the other assisted by Katelyn Hayes. An unassisted goal by Katelyn Hayes closed the scoring, while goaltender Amelia Woodbury frustrated Winthrop.

Next opponent, the Stoneham 1 squad allowed only one first period goal by Meghan Pickett. Second period goals by Kaitlyn Souza (assisted by Pickett) and Pickett's second goal (assisted by Souza). Stoneham's one goal just eluded goalie Alex Fletcher. Final 3-1 Wilmington.

After frustrating the Lady Cats through the first period, Winchester surrendered an uncharacteristic five second period goals scored by Bridget Griffin (Alicia Nazzaro, Alex Fletcher), Kaitlyn Souza (Katelyn Hayes, Meghan Pickett), Alicia Nazzaro (unassisted), Meghan Pickett (Kaitlyn Souza) and Griffin's second of the game (Fletcher). Winchester opened the third period with two early goals before Griffin completed the hat trick (Souza, Pickett), Hayes (Pickett) and Griffin's fourth (unassisted) completed the 8-2 victory for Amelia Woodbury and the Cats.

A President's Day tilt against Everett, a team with just one win this season, proved disastrous for our girls who left their "A" game home. Sloppy defensive zone play resulted in a quick 2-0 lead for the Crimson girls. Wilmington lone tally came in the second period when Alex Fletcher out-hustled three defensemen to set up Kaitlyn Souza, whose rebound was buried by Meghan Pickett. Final score 2-1 Everett.

The Cats rebounded against new division rivals Danvers last Saturday. Scoreless after one, Kristyn Callahan tucked in a rebound of a Bridget Griffin shot for her first shorthanded goal of the season. Three minutes later Kaitlyn Souza, set up by Katelyn Hayes and Alex Fletcher, put Wilmington up 2-0. Danvers beat Amelia Woodbury only once in the third period securing the win for the Wildcats 2-1.

As always, the defensive core of Fiona Gately, Erica Jensen, Ashley Michals, Kristyn McNally, Alicia Nazzaro and Bridge Griffin do a terrific job supporting the goaltending tandem of Amelia Woodbury and Alex Fletcher. While their names don't always appear on the score sheets, the hard work of forwards McKayla Blanch, Colleen Good, Kennedy Harper, Caroline Robarge and Jessica Denorscia has helped the team to remain at or near the top of the standings so far this season.

Firearm safety course offered in North Reading

The North Reading Rifle Club, 242 Central St., will host a firearm safety course, Wednesday, March 10 &17, at 7 PM. You must attend both dates. Certified instructors will explain firearm operation, safe handling, storage, transportation and laws. Each participant will shoot a rifle, revolver and semi-automatic hand gun.

A certificate required by Massachusetts Law, when applying for a Class A or B license to carry, or firearms identification card will be issued to everyone completing the course.

A license is required to purchase, possess or carry a firearm. To register or for more information call Robert Rose at (978) 664-2703 after 6 PM.

Mite B's participate in Lock Monster tourney

The Wilmington Mite B youth hockey team spent their February school vacation playing seven games this past week, three of which were in the annual Tewksbury Youth Hockey Lockmonster tournament at the Janas Rink in Lowell.

The Wildcats ran into their stiffest competition of the season in this tourney as they were beaten 5-1 by a strong Billerica team and also 5-0 by tourney champion Burlington. Their lone win in the tourney was a 7-5 thriller against a very tough Tewksbury squad which had beaten that same Billerica team and also tied champion Burlington earlier in the tournament.

The highlight of the tournament for Wilmington was that win over previously undefeated Tewksbury which prevented them from winning the 1st place trophy. All things considered, this could very well have been the team's best overall game of the season. The Wilmington coaches were extremely proud and impressed with the 1-2 record the team posted in this tournament especially considering the quality of the opponents they played.

Back to league competition. After starting the week with an impressive 7-5 Valley League win over Andover, the Cats lost their other three games. They were defeated in the Dual State League by first place Burlington 5-1, then lost a Valley League tilt against Wakefield 5-2 in a post tournament sleeper. This was an early morning game in which the Wildcats never seemed to get untracked and found themselves behind 5-0 before they woke up and made a game of it in the 3rd period.

Then on Sunday another 6:00am game resulted in a Dual State League loss, this one by a 6-5 count to the same Tewksbury team they had beaten in the tournament. Surely this was a revenge game for that Tewksbury team who was denied a chance at the 1st place Lockmonster trophy just a day earlier by the Wildcats.

All in all, although not one player or coach would use it an excuse, it appeared as though all the early morning games as well as the intensity of the tournament finally took it's toll on the B team as the week wore on.

The thing that impressed the coaches the most was the fact that the tired squad fought hard and never quit right to the final buzzer of the last game on Sunday morning. The week's hectic schedule finally came to an end with a trip to the Tsongas Arena and the Lowell Lockmonster game on Sunday afternoon.

Highlights of the week for the Wildcats would start with Cody McGowan who had six goals (including a hat trick) and four assists for a ten point week. Stevie Ciampa had an eight point week on five goals and three assists. Chris Sartori had six points on five goals and an assist. Michelle Alonardo had a five point week on three goals (a hat trick against Andover) and two assists. Mark Albano also had five points for the week on three goals and two assists.

Also chipping in with points were Kennedy Harper who had the team's lone goal in the 5-1 tournament loss to Billerica, and Drew Babine, Maryanna Dirupo, and Brooks Carter, who all had assists somewhere along the line during the week. The Cats also got outstanding play all week from their defensemen Brendan Benoit, Mike Curtis, Pat Brazell, Kennedy Harper, Brooks Carter, and Jake Russell.

The goaltending was also superb all week, both in the tournament games as well as the league games. Shane Brennan was the goalie for the entire Lockmonster Tournament and he saw enough rubber in those three games then he has all year. If it weren't for his outstanding play neither of the two losses would have been close and the Cats would not have beaten Tewksbury in their lone win.

In the other games the goalie duties were shared by Pat Brazell, Jake Russell, and Mike Curtis. All three of these young men should be commended for their outstanding play between the pipes as well as their willingness in volunteering to don the pads when called upon.

Youth Hockey sign-ups beginning March 7

Registration for the 2004-2005 hockey season will take place on Sunday, March 7, and Sunday, March 14 from 10 Am- 12 PM at the Fourth of July Building.

Registrations for all girls, travel and in-town teams are being accepted at this time. A $300.00 fee is required at the time of registration. Families registering more than one child require an additional $150.00 fee per each additional child.

First time participants to the program need to bring a copy of their birth certificate. Failure to register by March 14 will result in a $50.00 late registration fee. Regi- stration is required in order to participate in the team try-outs which are scheduled for April 19th though May 3rd.

For your convenience, you should visit our website at www.wilmingtonathletics.com and download the necessary registration forms in order to avoid delays.

If you have any questions, please call the WYH phone line (978) 988-5599.

Squirt II's extremely busy with six games

The Wilmington Squirt 2's sponsored by Brothers Roast Beef & Pizza, played 6 games in four days including the President's Tournament over the school vacation. The team finished the week off with a 3-2-1 record losing both games by a goal. Starting with a defensive struggle on Thursday against a tough Andover team, the team came up with a 3 to 1 victory.

Brendan Munro, Drew Cummings and Tyler MacInnis tally the goals. Besides being great in net, Nick "The Brick" Luise had an assist on Tyler's goal. Next on the agenda the President's Cup Tournament, the team starting with a tough 3 to 2 loss to the NE Moose. Jackie Mulrenan and Trevor Foley scored for the home team in a tough loss. The team outplayed and out shot the Moose, but lost on the scoreboard.

The Cats bounced back with a pair of victories on Saturday. First was a two to zip blanking of the Southern RI Team with great goaltending and defense. Nick Luise was stellar in the net and the defense of Frankie Cerbone, Paul Barbaro, Mike Ciampi, Steven Taylor, Gordie "GO GO" Fitch and Conor Brennan. Jackie Mulrenan scored both for the Cats, one into an open net.

The team continued their strong play with another victory against the NE Stars. Again it was great goaltending and defense with scoring from Scott Layton and two by Jackie Mulrenan. The line of Nick Pino, Tyler MacInnis and Jeffrey Goosens played a strong game for the home team.

After hearing team did not make it to the finals of tournament, coach Foley was expecting a letdown at the 6 AM Sunday game. The kids did not let him down as they fell behind 3 to 0 after one period against the first place Valley League Pentucket team. Things looked bad for the Cats, but they came roaring out in the second period with by Scott Layton and two more by Jackie Mulrenan. The team fell behind again only to score twice in the last two minutes to earn a hard fought tie. Twelve hours later the team took on

the first place Billerica team in Dual State action. The team started out sluggish again, but seemed to wake up in the second period again. Trailing 1 to 0, Wilmington scored two quick goals by Scott Layton and Sara Alonardo to start the second.

After Billerica tied it up, Drew Cummings put the Cats ahead again. The team held on until midway through the third period when they ran out of gas and gave up two quick goals. The team continued to play hard and had several other scoring opportunities only to be denied. The long weekend ended with a great game, but a tough 4 to 3 loss. The kids played hard all weekend and gave their parents plenty to cheer about. Many thanks to the kids, the coaches and our sponsor Brothers Roast Beef & Pizza for a great weekend of hockey.

Pee Wee C's put their game faces on

The word "neighborly" isn't in the dictionary of hockey. Nor is it in the vocabulary of the Wilmington Pee Wee B hockey players once they've donned their game faces. So when the pucks were dropped in their games against Andover and Burlington last week, no one ever would have guessed that the Wildcats were playing against neighbors.

Wilmington clashed first with Andover at Skate 3 a week ago Sunday, and then took on nemesis Burlington away last Saturday afternoon in hotly contested games. The B's were also slated to confront neighboring Billerica Saturday, but a scheduling snafu at the Ristuccia postponed it.

Against Andover, Wilmington got scoring contributions from all lines to snatch a nifty 4-1 win to keep them perched atop the Northeast Division of the Dual State League.

Andover nearly got on the board first but just missed when a shot went off the crossbar early in the opening period. It was Wildcat Matt Larffarello who ended up breaking the ice when, four and a half minutes into the first, he hit David Mello with a fine pass and Mello beat Andover,s southpaw goalie Ryan Ward stick side for a 1-0 lead. The Wildcats went up 2-0 later in the first on another nice pass from Sean Sullivan to John Moriarty, who likewise capitalized on Ward,s slow stick for a goal. Jared Hayes held Andover scoreless, closing the period with a pair of blocked shots right at the buzzer.

Wilmington's D took over in the second frame. John Malone made a fierce but unsuccessful rush early on, Kyle Gaffey checked ferociously and Cole Carter later won a foot race in Wilmington,s end to save a goal. Then with 4:52 left, Kevin Barry and Hayes killed a penalty to maintain the two goal advantage for the B's. But Andover persisted and finally broke through, squeezing one under Pat Young's glove with 2:10 left in the second to make it 2-1. Young made two spectacular saves with 22 seconds left to keep it that way going into the closer.

The third opened with some more top shelf defense from the ,Cats, including a nice break up of an Andover rush by Kevin Barry. Wilmington's forwards took over from there, beginning with a second goal from David Mello sparked by some pretty passing from Sean Tavares and Brian Coutu. Matt Larffarello then nailed an unassisted power play goal with 2:37 left for the 4-1 Wildcat victory. Pat Boudreau, Justin Rivera and Sean Sullivan added some heavy weight forechecking to seal the deal for the Wildcats.

Saturday's fast paced skirmish against Burlington was the teams, third meeting this season, each owning a win going into the game. The outcome of Saturday's game, a 1-1 tie, left unsettled who will take the edge on wins for the season.

A scoreless but full throttled first period moved both teams into the second still in high gear, but neither tallied until, with 2:17 left, the Red Devils slid a power play shot under Pat Young's pads for a 1-0 advantage. Unfazed, Wilmington retaliated seconds later when winger Cole Carter backhanded a picture perfect pass from behind Burlington,s net to the front where Brian Coutu greeted it and flipped it through the far corner for a 1-1 stalemate.

Late in the third period, both teams had chances to take the game, but none landed. Burlington hit the post with 1:42 left and Wildcat Brendan O'Brien just missed a last ditch bid with 47 seconds to go, leaving the teams locked at 1-1 at the buzzer.

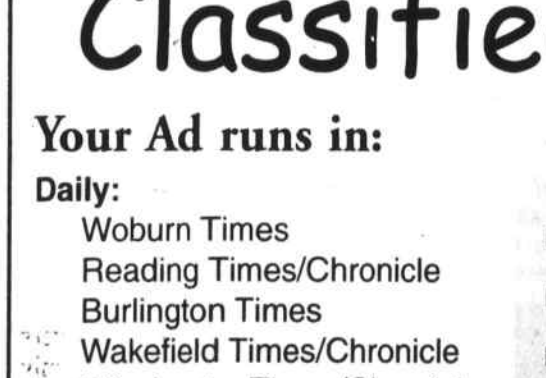
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Wisconsin edges out Ilinois in third grade boys hoop play

Saturday, Feb. 14 Results
Big 10 3rd Grade Boys
Wisconsin 14, Illinois 11

Wisconsin's Ken Rossetti, Sam Borsetti, Brian Fortuna and Keenan Beraldi had great games as they defeated Illinois. Matt Boutoures, Matt Pickett, and Chris Newton put in great effort for Illinois.

Ohio State 17, Penn State 15

Ryan Prior, Brendan Healy, and Kevin Dunfey led Ohio State to this win. Marco Zappala, Brian Priem, and Ryan Natale played well for Penn State.

Michigan 22, Indiana 17

Jack Campbell, Sam Silva, and Brian O'Connell from Michigan all drove the winning effort over Indiana. Indiana countered with great play by Tim Penny, Andrew Morris, and Patrick Barry.

Purdue 20, Michigan State 10

Purdue was led by Drew Babine, Dylan Langone, and Anthony Castellano. Michigan State got great hustle from Eric Stenson, Cole Nichols, and Michaels.

W.A.C. 4th Grade Boys
Hawaii 20, Rice 18

Two top teams battled it out. It was back and forth all morning. Cole Peffer had 8 strong points and Vin Scifo put in 10. Ken Fryer, Nick D'Amelio, and Chris Piscatelli all played great. As for Rice, Mark Woodland, Zack Reed, and Jacob Russo scored. Tom See had 7 points and Ed Boggia had 2.

UNLV 19, BYU 18

A barn burner with UNLV pulling away by 1. Zach Anderson for UNLV ran around the court the whole hour, great hustle. Adam Burke had 6 points, John Keough had a 3 pointer, and Jack Mulrenan put in 4 points. BYU's top scorer was Nick Louse with 9. Jeff Hill, Mike Biondo, and John Baker each had 2.

New Mexico 27, Wyoming 15

Ryan Gould for Wyoming had his first point and an exiting one at that. Adam Oliver had 6 points and Nick Wayland and Maurice Crispin each had 2. As for New Mexico Jim Mara put in a long 3 pointer to start off. Dave Rygiel, Tyler Canning, and Collin McGuire each scored. Tim McCarthy was high scorer with 10.

Utah 20, Air Force 7

Air Force tried their hardest Saturday for a win. They played great "D" and never gave up. As far as Utah they pulled away at the end with some key points from Kyle Peach, Tom Broman, and Steve Petinge. Good game to the end.

Big East 5th Grade Boys
Georgetown 39, St. John's 20

Georgetown was led by Jon Biondo with ten points, while David Mello and Derek Queen with seven points apiece. Joe Fitzgerald, Tyler Hrebner and Craig Benard played a great all-around game for the winners. Chris Frizzore scored eight points; Derek Duggan added six and Mike Amentola scored four points for St. John's. Brett Mc Coy, Tom Gorham and Mike Arria dished out a number of assists throughout the game.

Notre Dame 26, Syracuse 15.

Adam Kline scored six points, Brian Halas scored eight and Jon Davidson and Andrew Wells scored four points apiece for Notre Dame. Johnny Webber, Shaun Adams and Lucas Spry dished out numerous assists. Zach Copp scored five points as did Derek O'Dea while Steve Delle Pelle scored three points for the Orangemen. Sean Woodbury, Sean Hanley and Steve Godfrey played awesome defense in this hard fought battle.

Providence 29, Villanova 28

Cody O'Connor scored eight points; James DeRosa added seven while Tim Barnard and Marc Shibilia each scored four points for the Friars. Matt Nobile and Andrew Spurr tossed in key hoops for Providence. Chris Regan scored ten points, while Robert Cameron and Matt Doremus scored six apiece for the Wildcats. Chris De Cecca, William Strem and John Arvantis played intense defense in this well played game.

Big 12 - 6th & 7th Grade Boys
Texas Tech 57, Texas A&M 28

Jonathan Spurr scored a season high 29 points to lead Texas Tech over Texas A&M. Additional scoring came from Michael McDonagh with 18 points, Antonio Diecidue 4, Pat Boyle 4, and Andrew Spurr added 2 points. Leading scorers for Texas A&M were Richard Belding with 16 points, Justin Chenevert 7, Stephen Doucette 3, and Justin Rivera added 1 point. Aaron Misiph led Texas A&M in rebounding.

Nebraska 34, Texas 28

In a close hard fought game Nebraska came away with the win. Nebraska was led in scoring by Michael Denufrio with 17 points, Matt Hachey 12, Justin Direnzo 2, Josh Townsend 3, and Tim Kent added 2 points. Texas was led in scoring by Chris Greenwood 12 points, Jayce Humes 5, Brendan Fullerton 4, Ronnie DiTullio 2, Chris O,Brien 2, Brendan Sweeney 2, and Steven Souza added 1 points.

Iowa State 32, Kansas 26

In a game that could have gone either way, Iowa State defeated Oklahoma in over time. Iowa State was lead in scoring by Steve Stewart with 13 points, Tyler Whalen 9, Dan Dellisola 4, Brian Williams 5, Andrew Cazeau 5, James Magnarelli 2, and Nick Danas added 2 points. Oklahoma was led in scoring by Tim Korajczyk with 10 points, Ryan McCarthy 4, Christian Sanborn 6, Christopher Greenwood 2, D.J. Morse 4, Matt Celeste 2, Stephen Silva 2, and Pat Enwright added 6 points.

Missouri 44, Colorado 38

Missouri was led in scoring by Ben Stukey with 24 points, Ryan Kennedy 11, Brad Jackson 5, Eric Parsons 2 and Sean Furlong with 2 points. Colorado was led in scoring by Scott Bonica 13 points, Anthony Vibert 10, Jonathan Rizzo 6, Sean Keane 6, and Andrew Flood added 1 point.

Kansas State 41, Kansas 33

In the battle between Kansas and Kansas State, Kansas State came away with the win. Kansas State was led in scoring by Cory Mason with 12 points, Matt Capozzi 9, Brian Flynn 7, Matt Scullari 7, Mark Scullari 5, and Mike Kelly added 1 point. Kansas was led in scoring by Michael Murphy with 9 points, Matt Kincade 9, Jeff Kannally 3, Sean Sullivan 4, Ryan Bemis 2, and Nick Popa with 2 points. Alex Leiskau led Kansas in rebounding.

Baylor 49, Oklahoma State 48

Jonathan See was on fire as he drained seven three pointers to lead Baylor over Oklahoma State. Baylor was led in scoring by Jonathan See with a career high 27 points, Matt Sullivan 7, Michael Wilkinson 5, Ian Sullivan 4, Marty Bamberg 4, and Cameron Shepard added 2 points. Oklahoma State was led in scoring by Michael Scola with 35, Andrew Woods 5, Joe Warren 3, Josh Weaver 3, and Nick Russo added 2 points.

NBA 8th - 10th Grade Boys
Celtics 52, Knicks 37

Leading scorers for the Celtics were David Rak who racked up 16 points, Matt Bibeau with 13 and Nick Hogan with eight points. Their teammates Mike Cavanaugh, Matt Companeschi and Andrew Marra also played well. For the Knicks, John Olivere notched 14 points, Peter Rastellini scored ten and Kevin Carter tossed in seven points. Justin Cerra, Pradheap and Balu Vemula also hustled on defense.

Cavaliers 38, Hornets 36

Matt Brooks scored 17 points, Joe Gore scored 12 and Jesse Belding scored eight points for the Cavaliers. Ryan Ruggiero, Steve Tello and Chris Lavin dished out a number of assists to lead their team on to victory. Steve Potchner scored 16 points, Kevin Skinner scored 11 and Tony Karalekas scored five in a noble effort. Eddie Silva, Jerry Smith and Trevor Cormier also played a great all-around game.

Wizards 49, Magic 36

Leading their team on to victory were Mike Fogarty with 17 points, Jeff Youngclaus with 15 and Steve Mc Isaac with six points. Robert Mc Isaac, Maxwell Lee and Jared Waite also chipped in with key assists. Despite the tough loss, Andrew Otovic scored 11 points, Zach Fahey scored eight and Shawn Fahey scored seven points. Hank Schneckloth, Justin De Rosa and Matt Derian played intense defense throughout the game.

Lakers 54, Grizzlies 52 (OT)

Leading the way for the Lakers was Mike Thomas with 16 points, Derek Stukey with nine and Alex Kittredge with eight points. Nick Robarge and Greg Bell played great defense for the winners. William Starratt scored 18 points, Bobby Donahue scored ten while Dan Patterson and Tom Barry scored six apiece for the Grizzlies. Mike Catania, Marc Grassia and Alan Dooley helped their cause by pulling down some massive rebounds.

Bulls 42, Nets 33

P.J. Russo scored 13 points, Nick Duggan added 12 and Rocco Puccio notched eight points for the Bulls. Ernie Mello, Chris Bocchino and Nick Jannone dished out a number of key assists. Greg Stewart scored 21 points, Tom Miele added 14 and Jon Chirichiello scored seven points in a courageous effort. Dan Bemis, Ryan Fahey and Steve Cruz also played an inspired game.

GIRLS
Atlantic 10 3rd & 4th Grade Girls
Temple 12, Fordham 6

Temple came away with a big win as Alexa Brown scored 7 of the 12 points. Alexandra Derian and Marissa Genovese each had a deuce while Nicolette Webber played an excellent game and came away with a point. Lisa Hitchins and Gianna Tummino each scored 3 points as they got all the points for Fordham. Michaela Hanson, Christina Riley, Kimberly Woods, Kathleen Kurowski, Lisamarie Diorio, and Caitlin Cheney all played a great offensive and defensive ball game.

George Wash 12, Xavier 4

George Washington dominated much of this game as Emily Erickson and Kristin Ingala led the team with 4 points. Emily Schuh scored a deuce while Kelly McGowan and Cali Peffer each had 1 point. Kayla Magee, Michelle Woods, Brett Duffy, Melissa Stafford, Ryan Prior, and Kerrianne Marino displayed great hustle within the game.

Rhode Island 22, St. Joe's 19

Rhode Island barely edged out St. Joe's as Meghan Stinson led them with 12 points. Ashley White followed behind with 6 and Paige Bennett completed the scoring with 4 points. Emily Crannell led the scoring for St. Joe's with 8 points. Jennifer Stewart was next in line with 4. Christina Wilson had 3 points as with a very big three-pointer. Sarah Luz and Ashley Paquette each had 2 points. Ashley Paquette had an amazing game on both offense and defense for St. Joe's. Erin Welch also had a great game for Rhode Island.

UMass 18, LaSalle 8

Casey Browne led UMasswith 7 points followed by Caitlyn McDonough with 6. Kelly Cassidy threw in 3 while Taylor Cushing completed the scoring with a deuce. LaSalle's scoring was spread all around as Isabella Contrada, Brandie Queen, Jessica Phelan, and Jacqueline Parece all got 2 points to get LaSalle,s 8 points. Lauren Sullivan, Emily Barasso, Jacqueline Kennedy, Julie and Rachel McEvoy, and Colleen Brothers all displayed dazzling hustle and determination on the court.

PAC 10 5th & 6th Grade Girls
UCLA 22, Arizona State 15

UCLA came away with an excellent victory as Lisa Capozzi led the scoring with 10 points. Allison Robbins was next in line with 7. Leigha Carroll, Katherine Hill, and Allison Bleir all scored 2 points for UCLA. Jackie Zaremba dominated Arizona State's offense as she scored 5 of the 15 points. Chelsea Babcock, Kelsey Sullivan, Brittany Smith, and Jennifer Gerrard each had 2 points while Elizabeth Jaeschke and Aubrey Ungvarsky each had a free throw. Both teams had a great day as they played extremely well on offense and defense.

Oregon 18, California 14

Oregon came away with their first big win as Michele Winchell dominated the game with 12 points. Nicole Neville, Heather Rose Kealos, and Amanda Barnes each had 2 points. Christine Woods with 6 points and Nicole Luz with 4 led California. Bryanna Mara and Stephany Mason each had 2 points. Megan Cox, Michele Worthington, Carly Gillis, Kristin Keller, Jacqui Lyman, and Elizabeth Crannell all played great games as they led the hustle on both ends of the court.

Washington 29, Oregon St 10

Washington took advantage of Oregon only having 6 people as they came away from this game in triumph. Jen Carroll filled in with 14 points. Christina Lees was next with 6 points and Kristina Tummino had 5 points; including a 3. Jessica Lees completed the scoring with a solid 4 points. Taylor Hanley did much of the scoring for Oregon State as she obtained 7 of the 10 points. Kayla Davidson got the other 3 points. Jessica Rivera, Vanessa Cowan, Emily D'Amelio, Stephanie Lepore, Amelia Woodbury, and Aliana Rossetti played well on both ends of the court.

USC 22, Washington State 20

USC played an excellent game as they came away with a victory against a very strong Washington State team. Jessica Lees led the scoring with 10 points while Jen Carroll followed close behind with 8. Kristina lees and Jenna Wholley each had 2. Jessica Stukey led Washington State once again with 11 points. Shannon Keeley and Larissa Ingala each had 4 points. Kelly Duffy completed the scoring with a point. Elizabeth Olson, Sherin Chakoian, and Ashley Micalizzi all played with outstanding hustle on both ends of the court.

Arizona 29, Stanford 24

Stanford suffered their second loss of the season as Arizona nearly edged them out. Amy Fahey had a huge game as she finished the day with 13 points. Tara Van Vranken was close behind with 8. Stephanie Weymouth had 4 while Stefany Barcellos and Jessica Levin each had 2 points. Leigha Carroll filled in nicely for Stanford as she led the team with 8 points. Danielle Polcari and Maggie Brown both had 6 points. Kristin Crosby finished the scoring with 4 points. Overall, both teams played an excellent game on both ends of the floor.

WNBA 7th-10th Grade Girls
Comets 35, Friars 34

The Comets made an incredible come from behind win in the final moments of this game. Alysse Sullivan, Lauren Hitchins, Casey Otovic, and Devon Murphy combined to score 24 of the 35 Comet points. Kaila Wholley followed next with 5 points including a huge three in the last 2 minutes of the game. Kimmy Stockton threw in 4, while Alana Brush rounded off the scoring with a deuce. Samantha Souza led the Fire, as well as the game, with 13 points. Michelle White was close behind with 10. Cassandra Longo, Julie Gorman, Jenelle Femino, Lauren Genovese, and Hillary Mahoney all scored 2 points. Colleen Carroll completed the scoring with a foul shot.

Mercury 25, Sparks 13

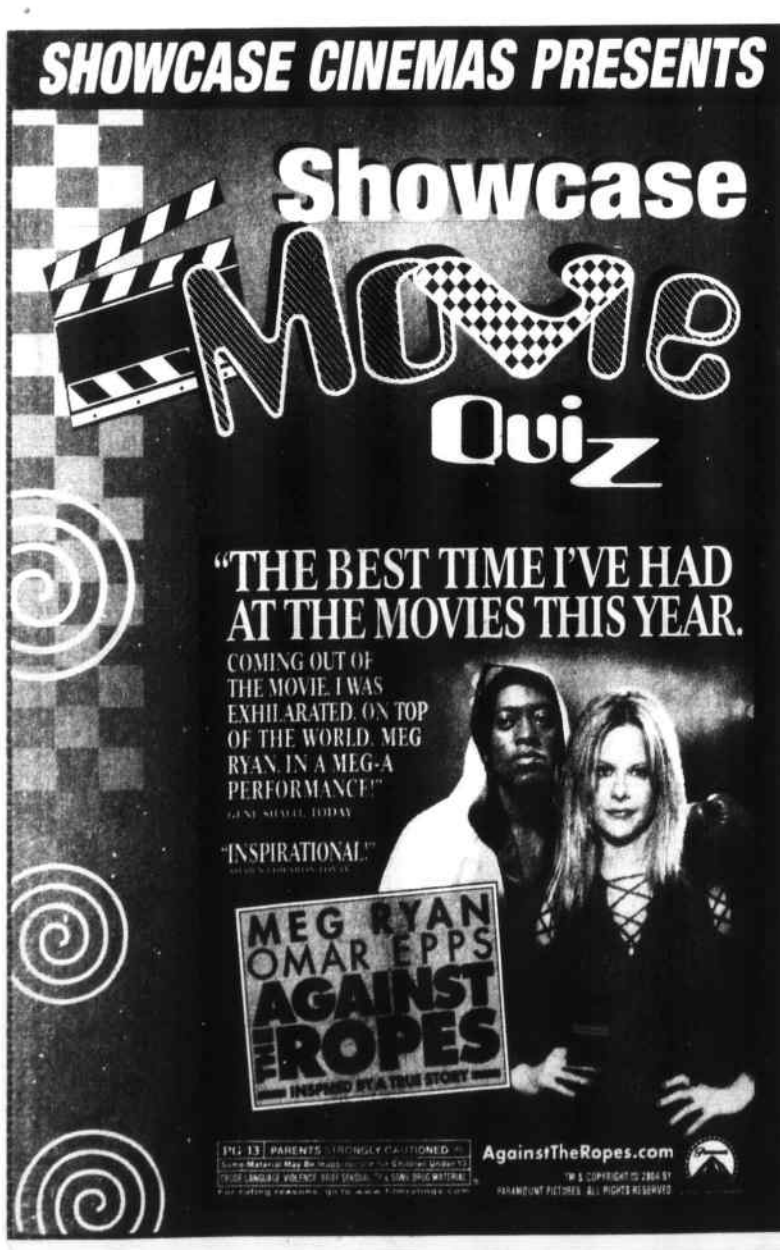
The Mercury continues to dominate the league as Christa Cavallaro beat the Sparks alone as she scored 18 of the 25 points. Danielle Bamberg had 4 and Kimberly Nichols had 2. Kasey Stokes provided the last point for the Mercury. The Sparks played a tough game, despite having only five players. Kim Koerber and Colleen Magee led the team with 4 points each. Charlotte Jensen had 3 and Jennifer Petinge had 2. Devon Waite, Kelly Ray, Tatum McNally and Lorraine Simoneau all played a great game.

Liberty 27, Monarchs 21

The Liberty edged out the Monarchs by six points, as Lauren Hitchins was once-again the leading scorer with 15 points. Maureen Worthington and Lisa Rooker were next in line with 4 points apiece. Casey Otovic and Kimmy Stockton rounded off the scoring as they scored 2 points apiece. The Monarchs received significant offense from nearly every player present. Cameron Woodbury, Katrina Zaccardi, and Megan Keane each had 4, which led their team. Colleen Magee scored a 3 as she filled in nicely for the Monarchs. Shannon McCarthy, Ericka Beraldi, and Stephanie Warnick all scored 2 points to complete the Monarch's scoring.



Jessica Stukey (middle) fights for a loose ball for Washington State in the girls fifth and sixth grade youth basketball play held Saturday at the West Intermediate School.
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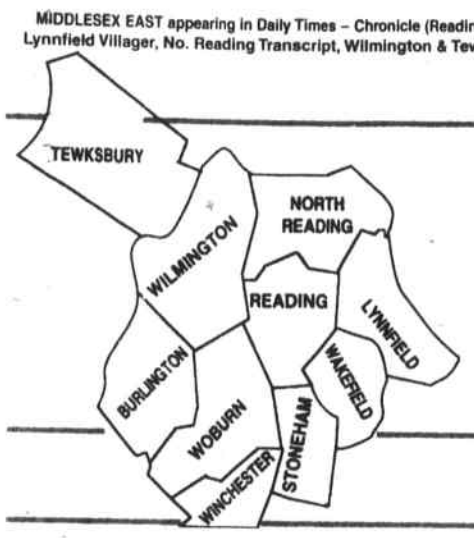
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Cousins Rachael Cormier and Matt Penney, both seven years old, show off their medals they received on Saturday afternoon from playing in the Wilmington Recreation Basketball League this season.
(photo by Maureen Lamoureux).

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Woburn's WR Grace building gets clean bill of health

Controversial site up for rent

By DOUG WOOD-BOYLE

Although they are not historic, the buildings at 369 Washington Street are an indelibly significant part of Woburn's history and now the W. R. Grace Company is offering them up for lease as office space.

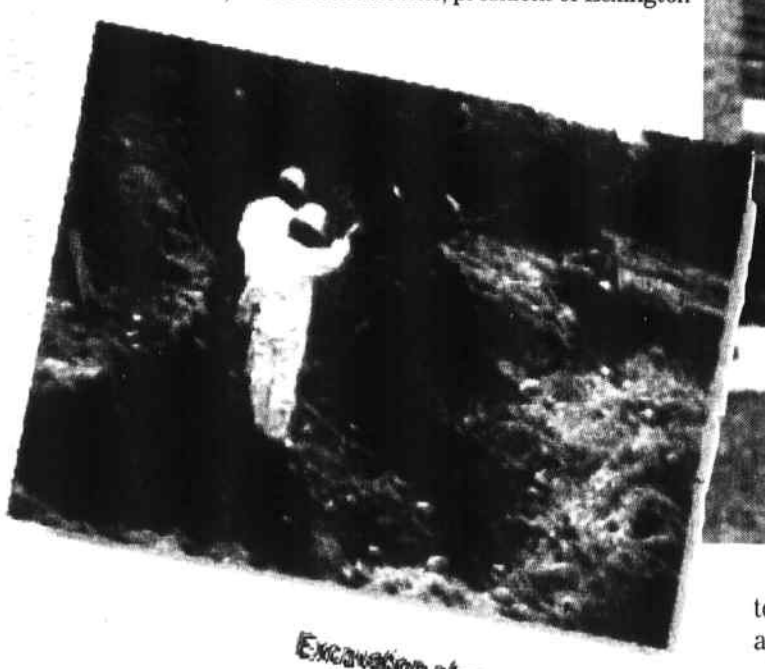
"This site possibly represents the last undeveloped parcel in that immediate area," David Stubblebine, president of Lexington based Stubblebine Company, the exclusive leasing agent said. "It is one of the last on Route 128 between Woburn and Needham. We've had tremendous activity in the early stages (of the leasing process).

"I am highly confident we will ultimately move the property."

According to Stubblebine, the W.R. Grace Company has attempted to sell the property a number of times over the past several years. He added that the market is strong for this type of space.

"They have been frustrated in their efforts because they couldn't come to terms with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)," Stubblebine said.

As most people in the Woburn and Reading area near the site well know, it is close to but very much a part of one of the EPA's most extensive Superfund clean-up sites.



Excavation of contaminated soil.



THE ABOVE CRYOVAC BUILDING, 369 Washington Street, is now part of Woburn's history. As most people in the Woburn and Reading area near the site well know, it is very much a part of one of the EPA's most extensive Superfund clean-up sites.

A newspaper report, written by Charles C. Ryan, former Managing Editor of the Woburn Daily Times Chronicle stated: "The cleanup of soil and groundwater contamination at the 330-acre Wells G & H Superfund site will be the single most expensive EPA Superfund cleanup in New England."

A price of $68.2 million was set on the estimated 20-50 year plan for the clean up. The plan calls for the ground water to be pumped to a filtering station where it is treated by ultra-violet lights and released.

According to a Grace sponsored website (www.civil-action.com), titled "Beyond A Civil Action": "Since 1992, Grace has pumped 25 million gallons of groundwater from the most contaminated areas on its property and has extracted less than five gallons of contaminants."

There are four other companies that were named in the suit, Wildwood (formerly Beatrice), Olympia Nominee Trust, New England Plastics, UniFirst and Grace. Of the five, Grace's property is located farthest away from Wells G & H.

The EPA, neighborhood groups, and others have cited Grace for its cooperation in the matter. In an interview, Ryan recalled that the Grace executives were unaware of illegal waste disposal that was taking place on the site by their employees. When it was discovered the Grace management took immediate steps to put a halt to it.

In later findings it was discovered that many of the pollutants in the groundwater could not have come from the Grace facility. The Grace facility made machinery to manufacture the wrap used on frozen foods.

Stubblebine listed the ongoing environmental clean-up operation as one of his challenges in leasing the two buildings on the 12.37-acre land, abutted by Cummings Office Park and a GMAC facility. The second challenge is the restrictive zoning set by the City of Woburn, which states the site can only be used for office type uses.

The 1985 Zoning Ordinances state the buildings can be used for physical fitness type facilities, business services or business sales, and newspaper publishing and printing if the editorial offices are on site.

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Woodchips

ANTHONY MANCONI

I remember when the handsome Dennis Tully asked the beautiful Juanita Mass at the card shop, "Do you have any **VALENTINES** that say, 'My love is for you and only you?'"

Juanita smiled and said, "They are right over here." "Good," Dennis replied, "I'll need six of them."

Dennis is just **PLAYING IT SAFE** this year - he sent valentines to his girl friend every day in January up to Valentine's Day. No, she didn't marry Dennis - she **MARRIED** the **MAILMAN** who delivered the valentines!...

Sonny Pearlsman told me that a sergeant came into the **BARRACKS** and asked if anyone knew **SHORTHAND**. Sonny thought this was an easy duty and raised his hand.

"Good," the sergeant shouted, "They are **SHORTHANDED** in the **MESS HALL**!"...

Sonny's wife Ruthie stopped at a **TRAFFIC LIGHT**. She waited as the light turned from red to green to yellow. Red again and then green.

A **POLICE OFFICER** approached Ruthie and asked, "Miss, we **DON'T** have a **COLOR** you **LIKE**?"...

Aunt Nora asked pharmacist Jimmy Fanikos, "Please mark the two **BOTTLES** of **MEDICATION** clearly so we know which one is for my **HUSBAND** and which one is for my **HORSE**. Spring **PLOWING** is coming up soon and I

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Movie Reviews

by Paul Feely

"AGAINST THE ROPES"

MOVIE: "AGAINST THE ROPES"
GRADE: **

Meg Ryan's performance as a female boxing promoter almost saves this film from collapsing under the weight of the sports-movie cliches it has been saddled with. Almost.

The story is based on the life of Jackie Kallen (played by Ryan), an female executive assistant who goes out and creates a chance for her to pursue her true passion - managing a professional fighter, played by Omar Epps.

Ryan's performance is very strong and gritty, and Epps is also decent, but Tony Shalhoub's portrayal of a rival promoter, the film's villain in essence, is about as by-the-numbers an acting job as you are likely to see this year. A disappointing outing for an actor who is normally on the top of his game.

SHORTTAKES

MOVIE: "50 FIRST DATES"
GRADE: **

This date movie, opening just in time for the recent Valentine's Day holiday, is a romantic take on the Bill Murray "Groundhog Day" premise of constantly repeating the same situation until you get it right.

Adam Sandler plays guy who has made a living out of loving and leaving female tourists in Hawaii, until he meets and romances Drew Barrymore's character, who he genuinely falls for. The only catch - she has a memory disorder that causes her to forget things she has done day to day. Each morning her memory is wiped clean, causing her to forget the chemistry that she and Sandler have experienced the day before.

The two work very well together, and the result is a sweet date movie, without the usual angry, gross-out humor that Sandler has become known for over the years.

MOVIE: "MIRACLE"
GRADE: ****

It may only be February, but the "feel-good" movie of the year has already arrived on the big screen.

Disney has produced what may be the best sports movie since "Hoosiers", bringing the story of the 1980 United States Gold Medal "Miracle on Ice" hockey team to life in grand fashion.

Kurt Russell is excellent as coach Herb Brooks, the man who believed that you don't necessarily need the best players to create a winning team, just the right ones, willing to buy into his system of hard work and relentless conditioning work. He believed it would lead to a victory over the vaunted Soviet Union, though very few other people did, and history has proven him right.

The story is very faithful to actual events, and the way Disney has reproduced the on-ice action is amazing. The philosophy of team over self will ring very familiar to anyone who has watched the New England Patriots charge as a team towards two Super Bowl titles, minus any superstars.

It is rare when a theater full of people will cheer at the events happening on screen, especially when half of them know ahead of time exactly what is going to happen, but that is exactly what is going on at movie houses across the region. An excellent take, and a worthwhile history lesson for the youngsters as well

MOVIE: "THE BIG BOUNCE"
GRADE: *

The studio claims in the advertising campaign for this film that it is based on an Elmore Leonard story, but it has about as much to do with the short story of the same name as William

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What perspective do many adults have about teens? Most who have passed through the teen years will agree that it is a difficult stage of maturing - one that is confusing, questioning fundamental beliefs, and often rebellious. With all of our ideas about teens, it is easy to forget their idealism and natural desire to seek to make a "better" world.

When teens look for answers to their questions about relationships with the opposite sex, what does society offer? Messages, especially those from TV and Hollywood, suggest that love, acceptance, and fulfillment can only be found through sexual relationships, rather than informing teens that waiting until marriage will lead to greater fulfillment and deeper love. The negative messages of our culture need to be replaced with the truth, to challenge teens to strive for high moral ground and romance with dignity.

This positive message to teens, presented free of charge, can be heard at Burlington High School on Sunday, March 7th at 5:30p.m. and again at 7:15 p.m. when 28 year-old Jason Evert of Catholic Answers in San Diego will offer dynamic, often humorous presentations called "Romance Without Regret". Jason has addressed hundreds of thousands of teens throughout the country about the value and benefits of chastity and has received thousands of letters and emails from young people who have been profoundly affected by his message. He has stirred their desire to take the higher course in their relationships with the opposite sex and has provided new ideas and incentives for treating themselves and others with dignity. Teens want and need to hear this "different" message. For information or for group registration, call Muriel at 781-272-8137 or 781-910-5540 or Catina at 781-938-9113.

Master classes in ballet technique

Winchester Ballet Conservatory invites area dancers to participate in a series of dance Master Classes to be held at its studio at 9 Mount Vernon Street. Artistic Director Isil Avci has invited ballet dancers Michelle Imhof and Ajay Bhandram to teach the series' first master classes in ballet technique.

Michelle Imhof conducted two children's master classes on Sunday, February 8. She is currently a dancer at Boston Conservatory and has studied with Boston Ballet, American Ballet Theater, and Paul Taylor Dance Company. Ms. Imhof has performed in Boston, New York City, and London. All the children who had participated enjoyed the Master classes with Michelle Imhof.

Ajay Bhandram will teach two master classes on Sunday, February 28. He has been a principal dancer at Boston Dance Company for the last decade, and has studied and performed with New York City Ballet and Paris Opera Ballet.

Junior classes are open to all children ages 8 to 10, and senior classes are open to all dancers ages 10 and over. Master classes for juniors are scheduled for 11:30a.m to 1:00 p.m., and senior classes will be held at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. including a half-hour Pointe class.

Ms. Avci welcomes boys and girls to participate. "This is an opportunity for children who study at different schools to share together the joys of dance and to explore different styles of teaching and styles of dance. I hope to offer a variety of master classes this spring featuring different dance forms. This is a chance for my students and other area dancers to broaden their knowledge and let them try out some new things."

If you wish to participate either contact Ms. Avci at 781-721-4808, or pick up a registration form at the studio, located at 9 Mount Vernon Street, second floor, Winchester. Dancers can also drop by at the studio at the time of the master class and register in person. The fee for each class is $35.00.

Birth

JOSEPH AND KRISTIN CONNELLY of Windham, NH announce the birth of their daughter, Isabella Grace, on Tuesday, January 27, 2004 at the Brigham and Women's Hospital. Welcoming home their sister are Madison, age 2 and Alexandra, age 4.

Proud grandparents are Joseph and Beverly Connelly of Reading and Robert and Asta Moore of Burlington.

About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

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Free spirits in Burlington

"The Board of Selectmen at its most recent meeting endorsed the concept of an 'Alcohol-Free Weekend' to start off this year's Drug and Alcohol Awareness Week," notes the Burlington edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The vote followed a presentation by Charles Franich and Marilyn Belmonte of the town's Drug and Alcohol Task Force. Franich is an employee at the Burlington Community Life Center.

"The awareness week is held every year, in early May, Franich told the board the task force would ask adults in the community to refrain from alcohol use the previous weekend in the spring in order to set the tone for the following week.

"'We're pretty hopeful about it,' stated Franich.

"Belmonte said the weekend 'brings the town more involvement in awareness week.'

"She went on to say that it shows young people that alcohol is not so important in adults' lives that they cannot refrain from it for a weekend.

"'We're role models for our kids, she said.

"Belmonte said the Alcohol-Free Weekend is a concept which has been tried in other communities around the country.

"The awareness week is highlighted by programs in the schools, sometimes featuring outside speakers, articles for the local newspapers regarding substance abuse, and other activities.

"The main focus of the task force is awareness week, but it is involved in activities throughout the year, including presenting programs and articles highlighting the dangers of drugs and alcohol for young people and the role parents need to play.

"Belmonte said the task force is considering a ceremony on the Town Common to mark the Alcohol-Free Weekend, planned for the first weekend in May."

Road warriors in Wilmington

"Plans are in place to improve the intersection of Routes 38 (Main Street) and 62 in Wilmington," notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

"During a meeting, Christer Ericsson, of Greenman and Pederson, Inc. (GPI), recommended to the Wilmington Board of Selectmen the left-hand lane traveling northbound on Route 38, towards Tewksbury, should be reserved exclusively for left hand turns, as should the left hand lane of Route 62 traveling westbound towards Burlington.

"The left hand lane of Route 38 traveling southbound towards Interstate 95 will remain as two general purpose lanes, while the right hand lane of Route 62, traveling eastbound towards Reading and the Wilmington Public Safety Building will provide an exclusive right hand turn lane.

"To implement these recommendations, a left hand only signal head will be added for the northbound approach and a right turn signal head will be added to the eastbound approach. Pavement markings and signs will be added and southbound signals will remain unchanged. GPI conducted traffic studies of the area and found that approximately 23,600 vehicles per weekday and 20,300 vehicles on Saturdays travel along Route 38. Approximately 13,000 vehicles travel along Route 62 on a normal weekday and 10,700 on a Saturday.

"The two roads are at a busy, major juncture and connect a host of communities such as Reading, Burlington, North Woburn and Tewksbury. Motorists in all four communities have had problems negotiating construction and the irregular traffic pattern for the past several years.

"Route 62 is a major cross-town roadway connecting Reading, Burlington and Wilmington to a host of other communities on an east-west, meandering road, mainly through residential areas.

"The town had suggested exclusive left hand turn lanes for all four approaches to the intersection, but GPI determined that not to be prudent. 'We do not recommend converting the second southbound lane to left turn only, as it is presently being used by approximately one-third of the morning peak hour through movements, and the elimination of through vehicles in this lane will increase the risk of traffic queueing to the rail crossing,' stated Ericsson.

"Department of Public Works Superintendent Donald Onusseit offered his support for GPI's plan.

"Selectmen Chairman Michael McCoy was concerned that with five traffic lights between the Town Center and Rocco's Restaurant on Main Street, motorists could hit five red lights. Ericsson stated, however, that the system will be coordinated, once it is complete, to avoid that very situation. Selectperson Suzanne Sullivan was also concerned that five traffic lights would slow the flow of traffic and that motorists would venture onto secondary roads to avoid the snarl.

"'The goal of this [plan] is to reduce the delays and to encourage people to use [Route 38,' Ericsson assured."

Ad hoc in North Reading

"The town of North Reading has accepted advertisements for its 2004 annual report," notes the "North Reading Transcript."

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Movies

From S-2

Shatner has with a list of Oscar winners.

The movie tries to emulate the air of cool that permeated throughout movies like "Get Shorty" and "Out of Sight", two very successful films based on Leonard novels, but it falls flat on its face

Owen Wilson plays the laid-back, surfer type who gets pulled into a heist plot, and one has to wonder why actors such as Morgan Freeman and Charlie Sheen would agree to appear in such a poorly written and directed feature.

MOVIE: "ALONG CAME POLLY '
GRADE: **

When the advertising campaign for a film mentions that it is coming from the co-writer of a comedic hit, you know the flick is in trouble.

This Ben Stiller-Jennifer Aniston movie has its comedic moments, but overall it feels like an overblown episode of Aniston's hit television show "Friends" - and the total number of funny scenes would have trouble filling that 30-minute time slot.

Stiller plays a man who assesses risk for a living, and after he catches his wife cheating on him on their honeymoon, he attempts a relationship with Aniston's character Polly, a free spirit who lives life moment by moment. They are opposites which the director hopes will attract viewers, but many will have a hard time believing that there's any chem-

MOVIE: "BIG FISH"
GRADE: **

Director Tim Burton falls short of convincing the moviegoer that the fantastic tales told by his main character are real, in this otherwise enjoyable movie that tries to tell you it's still okay to believe in magic, no matter how dreary the world may seem on the surface.

The story centers around the somewhat ridiculous tales told by Edward Bloom, played by Albert Finney, who is on his deathbed. The stories, involving giants and witches, are acted out with Ewan MacGregor playing the young Bloom, and are taken with a grain of salt by Bloom's son Will, played by Billy Crudup.

The story itself is essentially sweet, and while the viewer leaves the theater wanting, wishing they could believe that the world of magic can still come true, Burton's storytelling doesn't quite convince the skeptic in many of us.

MOVIE: "THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE RETURN OF THE KING"
GRADE: ****

Director Peter Jackson completes his dream of bringing the J.R.R. Tolkien classics to the big screen in this, the final installment of his trilogy.

The movie, which centers around the final battle between good and the evil forces of Mordor, with the fate and future of Middle Earth hanging in the balance, looks beautiful on the big screen. The countryside of New Zealand is the backdrop for some of the most technologically advanced special effects ever created for a film, as Jackson and his crew bring an entire army of mystical creatures, soldiers, even the dead to life in grand fashion.

The acting by the principal players has been superb since the first film, and Jackson's strategy of filming all three movies over a period of a year and a half clearly pays off, as the actors don't visibly age between films.

For those unfamiliar with the previous storyline, there are a few flashbacks, but to truly enjoy the outcome, one must see the first seven hours of this tale.

Last minute tax tips

Does the thought of tax season send chills down your spine? Well, there's still plenty of time to minimize your 2003 tax bill.

And according to Diversified Investment Advisors, there are also steps you can take today to help trim the tab for 2004.

If you have not already made a contribution to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA), you have until April 15, 2004 to do so for the 2003 tax year.

As long as your earned income exceeded $3,000, there are two different types of IRA's that may help you reduce your federal taxes; the Roth IRA and the traditional IRA.

A single filer earning less than $95,000 per year, or joint filers earning below $150,000 can contribute up to $3,000 to a Roth IRA this year.

Individuals age 50 or over can make an additional "catch-up contribution" of up to $500 this year.

Although contributions to a Roth IRA are not tax-deductible, your after-tax contributions can translate into tax-free growth.

As long as you have held the account for at least five years and your are at least 59.5 years of age, you won't have to pay federal taxes on any earnings when you withdraw your money.

If you don't qualify for a Roth IRA, contributing to a traditional IRA can also help you cut your federal tax bill since you may be able to deduct the contributions to your account.

This year you can contribute up to $3,000 to an IRA; $3,500 if your 50 years of age or older.

Although you probably can't deduct your traditional IRA contributions if you are filing jointly and earn more than $60,000 per year, and are covered by an employee-sponsored retirement plan, you can still make a difference in your federal taxes.

By contributing to your IRA on an after-tax basis, you'll still take advantage of tax-deferred growth.

It's also recommended that you keep track of all potential deductions including medical expenses, charitable donations and work-related expenses.

If you have investments outside your retirement savings plan, make sure that they are as tax-efficient as possible.

Planning ahead is the key to ensuring that you don't pay more taxes than is necessary.

For additional information about retirement savings, go online to www.divinvest.com.

Towns

From S-3

charge beginning in early April 2004 at Town Hall, the Flint Memorial Library and the Edith O'Leary Senior Center.

"Advertisers could run a standard 2-inch by 3.5-inch business card (black and white only) for $50. The fee for a 4-inch wide by 3.75-inch high half-page advertisement (black and white only, camera-ready copy submitted) is $100. A full-page advertisement, four inches wide by 7.5 inches high, is $175.

"All advertisements will be run in the back of the book, with a note on the inside front cover directing readers to the advertisements. Businesses interested in running their advertisement on the inside or outside back cover should contact Town Administrator Tom Younger for details.

"'It is our hope that during this time of fiscal constraint that this advertising program can offset printing costs,' said Younger.

"Any businesses interested in participating in this advertising program were to contact Younger at (978-664-6010)."

"About the Towns" covers recent events in the 10-town Middlesex East area. Because Middlesex East deadlines are early, please check the front sections of this paper for up-to-date information about your city or town. We also welcome original material - please send it to Phyllis Nissen, "About the Towns," Middlesex East Supplement, Box 240, Reading, MA 01867 or to notestowns@comcast.net.

Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

SPORTS SHORTS

•**MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA** The very first World Series, played in Boston in 1903, wasn't a best of seven affair as it is today. What were the parameters of the series? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•**READING'S CAMERON TWISS**, son of Boston Celtics Vice President of Media Relations Jess Twiss and a member of the Bishop Fenwick boys basketball team, has been averaging a double-double for his squad this year. He is currently averaging 17.4 points and 10.5 rebounds.

•**READING'S PAUL CONBOY** is also a member of the Bishop Fenwick boys basketball team this team, coming off the bench to spell Jeff Twiss, averaging 4.5 points and three rebounds.

•The 10th annual Tewksbury Memorial High School Athletic Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremony will be held on Friday, April 2, 2004 at the Tewksbury Country Club on Main Street in Tewksbury. This year's inductees are as follows:

- •Ryan McNeal, 1993
- •Timothy Lightfoot, 1991
- •Christopher Mader, 1988
- •Rob Alyward, 1986
- •Michael Hurton, 1976
- •Joanne Aldrich, 1972
- •Richard Fortier, 1950

Al tickets are $35 each and are now available at the TMHS Athletic Office, 320 Pleasant Street, Tewksbury. The deadline for ticket purchases is Friday, March 26. Visit the office at 978-640-7834.

•The North Reading Baseball School will again conduct its "Preseason Diagnostic Hitting Camp". A review of hitting mechanics, corrections of techniques, and in-depth slow motion video analysts will be provided. Each session will be limited to 20 students with three instructors available. Eleven different sessions will be available from now to March 12. For more information call Frank Carey at 781-595-5628.

•**READING'S KEITH OLIVER**, a sophomore point guard, and **MAX BOGAERT**, a junior power forward, are both members of the Concord Academy boys basketball team this year.

•Need some help on this week's trivia question? The answer is a number between 5 and 15.

•**THE TEWKSBURY HIGH SCHOOL** baseball team will once again participate this year in the Lawrence Invitational Tournament during Memorial Day weekend.

•**STONEHAM'S KENNY SMITH** is the captain of the Harvard University men's ice hockey team this year, and he recently skated in what will be his final Beanpot Tourney at the FleetCenter in Boston.

•**READING'S JUSTINE LYONS** was recently chosen as the Middlesex League's Most Valuable Player among high school girls' basketball players.

•**WINCHESTER'S PHIL MURRAY** has been seeing playing time this year as a freshman member of the MIT men's basketball team, scoring 1.5 points and grabbing 1.8 rebounds in 21 of the team's 26 games.

•**THE COLONIAL ADULT MASTERS SYNCHRONIZED SKATING TEAM** is recruiting new members for the 2003-2004 season. Prior experience on such a team is not needed, but eligible skaters must be age 25 by the preceding July 1. For more information call Team Manager Cheryl Milloy at 781-275-4476.

•**WILMINGTON'S JACKIE MELLO**, competing in the recent Auerbach Freshman-Sophomore Small School Championship, held at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston, won the 55 meters girls race with a time of 7.69 seconds.

•**ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** The very first World Series, played in Boston in 1903, was a best of nine affair.

•**DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports. P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.

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Calendar of Events

ENTERTAINMENT AT COMEDY ESCAPE

Dick Doherty's Comedy Escape at the China Blossom in North Andover has many special entertainers appearing in the coming weeks.

They include: On Feb. 27 and 28 Jim McCue, On March 5th and 6th its Brad Mastrangelo, and on March 12 and 13 Jim Luletta.

John Joyce will appear at Boston Remington's on Saturday, Feb. 28. Thursday March 4 Corey Maning, Friday, March 5 Dick Dohert & Friends, Saturday, March 6 Ira Proctor, Sunday March 7 Greg Boggis, Thursday March 11 Corey Maning, Friday March 12 Dick Doherty & Friends, Saturday March 13 Val Kappa and Sunday March 12 Robbied Printz

Sundays are Open Mike nights at Remington's.

For further information call 800-401-2221 or visit www.dickdoherty.com.

CONCERT FOR AIDS IN MEDFORD MARCH 13

On Saturday, March 13 from 5:30-10:30 p.m. a Concert for AIDS will be held at the Chevalier Theatre, 30 Forest Street, Medford.

State Radio, No Ones Kind, Native Method (band from CCHS) and other bands will perform. All proceeds go to the World Health Organization's 3 x 5 plan to provide anti-retroviral drugs to 3 million infected people in the poorest regions of the world by 2005.

This event is organized by Concord Carlisle High School's (CCHS) Students Against AIDS.

For information about the concert and tickets contact Jenny Siegel at Athena0247@aol.com, tel 508-254-2479 or Samantha Fox-Morrow at SFox-Morrow@colonial.net, tel. 978-318-1417, x156. Or visit the WHO website www.who.int for information on the organization's 3 x 5 program.

FUND FOR AUTISTIC CHILDREN DINNER

The Fund for Autistic Children will host its Second Annual Pot-o-Gold Dinner, featuring a $10,000. Grand Prize drawing, on Saturday, March 20 at Jimmy's Allenhurst, Route 114 in Danvers at 6:30 p.m. The evening will include dinner, dancing and silent auction.

The Fund for Autistic Children is an all volunteer organization with no paid employees. All proceeds benefit individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

To learn more about this event please call 866-332-2462.

NAVY REUNION IN BOSTON

The USS Saint Paul (CA-73) and the USS Minneapolis-Saint Paul (SSN-708) Association will hold its eleventh reunion in Boston from August 24 to 28.

The organization is trying to contact former crew members. For further information contact George Takis, Jr., Secretary, USS Saint Paul Assn., 125 Spaulding Drive N.E., Atlanta, GA 30328, 770-393-3185 or fax /770-351-9573. gtakisatlcom.not@mindspring.com

LES MISERABLES AT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Lexington Christian Academy proudly presents Les Miserables, School Edition on April 1, 2, and 3 at 7:30 p.m. and a matinee on April 3 at 2 p.m. Ticket order forms are available at the school: 48 Bartlett Ave., Lexington and online at www.lexchristian.org. Tickets are $10 for students and $12 for adults.

For more information call 781-862-7850.

SAT VERBAL AND MATH PREPARATION

Register for Minuteman's renowned SAT and PSAT Verbal and Math Preparation course which begins on Monday, March 15. The course meets in Lexington for 12 sessions from 7 to 9:25 p.m. and concludes just prior to the May 1 exam.

Students learn proven strategies that may lead to score gains of between 60 and 200 points. The course is appropriate for CTY applicants.

Math review focuses on algebra, geometry and arithmetic. Participants gain proficiency in a variety of techniques for solving the analogy and sentence completion test items. An in depth approach to the reading comprehension question is presented.

The instructor, Roberta Wolman, has been successfully preparing students for the SAT since 1975. She is a full time reading and learning specialist at Minuteman Tech and a registered educational tutor.

The course tuition is $379; materials are additional. Obtain course information at minuteman.org Adult Education.

To register or for course details call Minuteman Community Ed at 781-861-7150 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday. For specific details contact the instructor, Roberta Wolman, at 781-861-6500, x12, 781-721-1065 evenings;email rwolman@minuteman.org.

NARFE PAT'S PARTY IN NORTH READING

The NARFE Chapter 507 Pat's Party will be held on Tuesday, March 9 at the Hillview Country Club ballroom, upstairs located at 149 North St., North Reading (off Rte 28.) There is parking on both sides of North St. $17 each.

Social Hour at noon, luncheon at 1 p.m. Menu: garden salad, Corned Beef and Cabbage or Baked Haddock, fresh vegetable medley, oven roasted potatoes, ice cream with chocolate sauce and coffee or tea.

If planning to attend send check to Vice Pres. Mike Modica at 486 Franklin St., Reading 01867.

SOUTHERN RAIL IN READING

Southern Rail kicks off their 26th year performing bluegrass with a very special Bluegrass and Gospel Family Concert at the Ivy Chord Coffee House on Sunday, March 21 at 2 p.m. Over the years Southern Rail has earned national acclaim for their superb harmonies, sparkling banjo and mandolin solo work, and irreverent humor. Souther Rail's music is fun, upbeat and emotionally charged. It encompasses contemporary and traditional trios. powerful gospel quartets and breathtaking instrumentation.

Tickets ar $12 general admission, $10 for seniors and students, $6 for children 5 - 9 and free for 4 and under.

For more information and advance ticket reservations call 781-229-9394 or 791-944-0494. www.uureading.org.

FLY FISHING AT SHRINERS

The World Fly Fishing Expo will be held at Shirners Auditorium in Wilmington on Saturday and Sunday March 13 and 14.

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For complete details call 1-800-227-2067, or www.sportshows.com.

"STEALING FROM THE DEAD" IS TOPIC

The Friends of the Lynnfield Library have invited mystery writers Kate Flora and Toni Kelner from the New England branch of Sisters in Crime to talk about "Stealing From the Dead: Ideas and Where She Gets Them" on Friday, March 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lynnfield Public Library.

Kate Flora is the author of Thea Kozak mysteries and Toni Kelner the Laura Fleming series. Find out how to put a new twist on an old plot, search newspapers, visit courtrooms and discover plots in your own neighborhood. This is the third program in the Meet the Author series.

The program is free, open to all and handicap accessible. Doors open at 6:40 p.m. Light refreshments provided. Call 781-334-5411 for more information.

MUSIC SCHOOL STUDENT SHOWCASE

Winchester Community Music School's Annual Student Showcase will be held on Sunday, March 7 from 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Student recitals at 1:30 and 3:30 featuring faculty nominated students and ensembles. Many age levels and instruments represented. No admission fee. Open to public. Wheelchair accessible.

Winchester Community Music School is located at 407 Highland Ave. Winchester. Questions call 781-721-2950.

BOATING BASIC COURSE IN MARCH

A Massachusetts Boating Basics course will be held at the Swampscott Club, 360 Humphrey St on March 27, April 3,10,17,24 and May 1. Six classes are required.

Time is 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Pre-registration is required with MA Environmental Police at 508-790-9360 or 617-727-8760.

Mass. Boating Basics is offered to the public at no charge. The primary purpose of Boating Basics is to foster safe boat operation through increased awareness of required safety equipment, safe boating practices, and legal responsibilities.

Youths 12 to 15 who successfully complete the course, will be issued a Safety Certificate allowing them to operate a motorboat without adult supervision, as required by law. This course will also satisfy the state requirements for personal watercraft users who are 16 or 17.

All graduates will be issued a course completion diploma and Safety Certificate.

MELROSE CHAPTER #1124 MONTHLY MEETING

Chapter #1124 AARP invites public to attend their next meeting, Friday, March 12 at the Highlands Congregational Church, 355 Franklin St in Melrose. Arrive between 1 and 1:30 p.m.

The rear entrance will remain unlocked for convenience if the front steps appear as a challenge. All new guests and repeat guests will be warmly received.

At the conclusion of the announcements and motions, Mr. Kendall Smith will speak. For the last 50 years he has been associated with the Mount Washington Observatory.

Need more information? Call Walter Redding 781-438-1544 or Dottie Pearl at 781-665-7012.

5TH ANNUAL LATIN DANCE PARTY

The North Shore Civic Ballet will present the exciting "Fiesta de Baile" an evening of salsa, at the Nahant Country Club on Saturday, March 20 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Put on your dancing shoes and dance the night away to lively salsa music courtesy of DJ Antonio Ortiz of DJ Latinos. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be available at the event. All are welcome, dancers and non-dancers alike. A salsa lesson is included in the price of the ticket and will take place from 9 to 10 p.m.

To order tickets in advance call 781-631-6262 or www.salsaboston.com. Tickets are $25 before March 10 and $35 thereafter and at the door. All proceeds support the North Shore Civic Ballet through scholarships for deserving young dancers.

COUNCIL ON AGING HAS PROGRAMS

The Lynnfield Senior Center will host a Grief Support Group Meeting on Tuesday, March 9 at 10 am. with a facilitator from Hospice of the North Shore. For those coping with the grief process. Focus on

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WR Grace Building

From S-1

"We are confident that the town will acquiesce to the demands of any appropriate tenant," Stubblebine said.

According to information provided by Stubblebine, Building One was first constructed in 1960, with renovations and/or additions in 1966 and 1974. The one-story steel and masonry building contains 85,568 square feet of space, which can be subdivided into 35,000 square foot units.

The second building has a total of 12,000 square feet. There is an ample amount of paved parking area for both buildings.

According to a description issued by the Stubblebine Company, the buildings are strategically located several hundred yards from Route 128/I-95 and one half mile from the I-93 and Route 128/I-95 interchange,

The 369 Washington Street site is comprised of a superb 85,568 s.f. "flex space" industrial building and a 12,000 s.f. detached butler building.

The realtor's description states: "...369 Washington Street is an unparalleled location suitable for a wide variety of uses. The property would serve as an outstanding corporate headquarters."

The water and sewer are provided through the City of Woburn and the buildings use natural gas. The heating system for the office space is forced hot water (boiler) and the industrial space is forced hot air from roof top units.

According to their website (www.stubblebinecompany.com), the Stubblebine Company is a commercial real estate firm seeking win/win real estate brokerage opportunities in the northwest Boston, Central Massachusetts, and Southern New Hampshire areas. Founded in 1987, the company is a partnership of individuals who are developing and exercising special strengths in real estate service.

The company was ranked in Boston Top 10 Brokerage Firms by Costar Group based on 2002 leasing transaction volume, appointed the exclusive marketing agent for 369 Washington Street, Woburn, the landmark 100,000 s.f. W.R. Grace facility in December, and sold over $38,000,000 of real estate in the fourth quarter of 2003.

Stubblebine said, "We sell and lease large one and two story research and development and industrial properties along Routes 2, 3 and I-93."

The Company provides clients with updated surveys of available space. Surveys include all relevant data on the property, including color photos, building specifications, site/floor plans and other germane information.

For more information on the Washington Street property or on the Stubblebine Company, please contact Stubblebine at (781) 862-6168 or by email at david@stubblebinecompany.com



ELECTRICAL FOREMAN ROB DUGAN of Tewksbury completes the communications wiring for police dispatch at the new multi-million dollar, state-of-the-art Public Safety Building in Wakefield. Open house is set for Sunday, February 29, from 1 to 4 p.m.

(Photo, Don Young)

Woodchips

From S-1

don't want anything to happen to the horse!"...

The gifted singer and pianist Marie Tully left a **NOTE** on the piano for her handsome husband Robert.

"Dear Rob, I have gone **CHOPIN**. I have a long **LISZT** so I don't expect to be **BACH** in a **MINUET**!"

Mark Alois asked his lovely wife Maries, "I have never seen pictures of an ANGEL with BEARDS. Don't men with whiskers ever get to **HEAVEN**?

Cousin Maria smiled and said, "Some do Mark, but only by a **CLOSE SHAVE**!"...

Folks, I was really **EMBARRASSED** this one time when I looked through a **KEYHOLE** and I saw **ANOTHER EYE**....

Kathy has an even disposition - MISERABLE all the time!...

The results are in when it comes to the **GARDEN GROWERS CONTEST**: Biggest Squash, Nick Petruzelli of New Deal; Tallest Stringbean, Peco Myers; Longest Cucumber, Joe Dumpy; Best Looking Tomatoes, Joan Curtie; First Place Overall Leo Murray. Most Corn - that award goes to the **WOODCHIPPER**...

Richie Gillis asked me, "Why so sad today Chipper?" I told him, "My **WIFE RAN OFF** with my best friend and I **MISS HIM**."

PERSONALITY WINNERS

Coach Paul Ganley, Sean Donahue, Chris McNeill, Nick Cappello, Dave Moon, **ALL OF BURLINGTON.**

Stephanie Dill, Hugh Penney, Tony Lucia, Paul Johnson, Bruce Gist, **ALL OF LYNNFIELD.**

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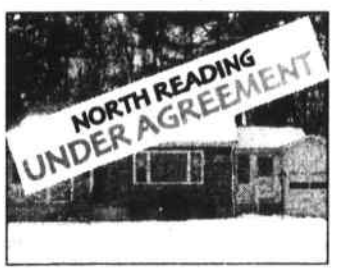
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WOBURN - NEW LISTING



Wow, what an opportunity! In terrific No. Woburn loc on 10,900 SF lot, this 13RM, 5BR home needs much renovation but offers tremendous potential. Used as single but zoned 2-Fam. $349,900.

READING - NEW LISTING



Spacious 9RM, 3-4BR, 1 1/2BA Split on magnificent 31K+ SF, level, fenced lot in nice neighborhood. 2 car garage, HW floors, FP'd FR, new 30' deck, C/A and more. See it today! $549,900.

ANDOVER - NEW LISTING



Rarely available. Be sure to see this newly renovated 2nd floor, 2BR Condo at Colonial Drive Condos. New maple kitchen, new paint, carpet, etc. $199,900.

READING - NEW LISTING



Wonderful 3RM, 1BR unit at the popular Summit Terrace. Balcony, in-unit laundry, tiled kitchen and foyer, walk-in closet, garage and more. Packed with amenities, you can't beat it at $224,900.

READING - NEWLY LISTED



Not your average Raised Ranch! This perfectly located 8RM, 3BR, 2 1/2BA, west side home offers newer 1st flr 32 X 12 FR, 2 car gar, HW flrs, 2FP's, open & lrg LL. See it today. $529,900.

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ANDOVER. Sharp 2RM Studio Condo, eat-in kit, pool, good closets. Only $750/mo includes heat & HW. (Fee)
READING. Nice 1BR apt in 2-Fam. Conv loc. $995/mo includes utilities. (Fee)
READING. 2-3BR, 2-level, mint apt in grand west side Victorian. In-unit laundry, full appl'd kit, yard & more. $1,595/mo + +. (Fee)
WOBURN. Remodeled 6RM, 3BR Single with yard & C/A. $1,750/mo + +. (Fee)

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This Week North Reading

Remodeled and expanded



This week's sampler is a home recently constructed by one of the area's finest builders. This one time ranch style home is a perfect example of the expertise in remodeling and adding a second floor addition, that has become a recent trend in today's real estate market. This home has an amazing location overlooking the Hillview Golf Course and is on a corner lot of one of North Reading's finest neighborhoods.

Just a few steps up the front is a farmer's porch which would be perfect for a swing or some wicker chairs to sit upon as you watch the avid golfers tee off across the street. Upon entering the front door, there is a three story open foyer with a catwalk leading to the third floor attic, great for storage or perhaps future expansion. Gleaming hardwood floors are throughout the first level, and you can still smell the remnants of fresh paint. The newly remodeled kitchen has cinnamon maple cabinets with gran-

Sampler to S-10



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FEATURED HOME OF THE WEEK
LYNNFIELD

Extraordinary Contemporary in lovely cul-de-sac setting! 11 rms, 4 bedrms, 2.5 baths & 2 car garage. Unique atrium foyer welcomes you. Incredible open floor plan features multi9-levels, skylights and lots of windows to filter natural sunlight throughout. Cathedral ceilings, beautiful hardwood floors, gorgeous kitchen and too much more for this ad ... *A must see!* **$1,199,000**

WAKEFIELD

New listing! Many exterior & system updates in this conveniently located 2 Family! **5.5 rooms, 2/2 bedrms, 1/2 baths & 2 car garage. Newer architectural roof, some windows, separate heating systems, newer electrical & vinyl siding. Walking distance to public transportation & schools. $439,900**

WAKEFIELD

New listing! Greenwood location for gracious older Colonial! **8 rooms, 3+ bedrms, 1.5 baths & 2 car garage. Large fireplaced living rm w/French drs, updated kitchen & baths, hardwd flrs. Enclosed porch offers year round hot tub. Walk-up attic. Convenient to commuter train. $449,900**

WAKEFIELD

Don't miss this one! **Unusually large property featuring fabulous 41,300+ sq. ft. lot, lovely older 8 rm Colonial with 3+ bedrms & 2 baths. Lovely, large cabinet kitchen, great barn or workshop & deck. Convenient location. $499,900**

MELROSE

Tastefully updated Colonial has many extras! **8rooms, 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths and 2 car garage. Lovely kitchen, formal living/dining room, finished basement, hardwood floors and some newer windows. Convenient to commuter train. $369,900**

STONEHAM

New listing! Entertain comfortably in this beautifully updated Cape! **7 rms, 4 bdrms, 2 baths & 1 car gar. Spectacular "Cook's kitchen" features center island & opens to lovely outside deck. Charming fpl LR, gleaming hdwd flrs, spacious basement & attic. 2 driveways & landscaped yard w/sprinkler sys. Desirable Robinhood location! $499,000**

TOPSFIELD

New Construction in fabulous Ferncroft Estates! **Breathtaking from the moment you enter this elegant 10,000+ sq ft brick-front Col! 5 bdrms, extraordinary master suite w/fpl, sitting rm & dressing rm. Fam rm features fieldstone fpl & a wall of windows. 5.5 bths, 3 laundry rms, Lower level features 2nd kit, bdrm, media rm & exercise rm. Situated on the 11th fairway of the Ferncroft Golf Course. Truly Spectacular! $2,750,000**

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~ Real Estate Transfers ~

-BURLINGTON-

Median Price: $360,000

339 **CAMBRIDGE STREET** was sold to Glenn Saliga by Robert Sorrentino for $351,000.

11 **HALLMARK GARDENS U:12** was sold to Alex Kaposi and Denes Takacsy by Erin and Gregory Moreira for $166,000.

4 **JEFFERSON AVENUE** was sold to Cathryn Mae Szekely and Claudio Corsi by Joan Christiansen and Joan McKeon for $408,000.

6 **LANTERN LANE** was sold to Arthur and Terri Fisher by Barbara and Edward Kundel for $317,600.

10 **PARTRIDGE LANE** was sold to Elona and Luis Jaquez by John Griffin for $355,000.

46 **PAULSON DRIVE** was sold to Thomas Weymouth by Geor Sheed Investment T. and George Shedd for $353,300.

23 **RAHWAY ROAD** was sold to Dayna Brown and Lisa Kann by C. Anthony Ciaozzo and Micaela Ciaozzo for $394,000.

8 **THOMAS STREET** was sold to Lisa and Paul Gedick by Winnifred Scolponeti for $255,000.

38 **WILMINGTON ROAD** was sold to Michael Raimondi by Edward and Beatrice Bradley for $295,000.

66 **WINN STREET** was sold to Brian Rand by Tina Daykin for $315,000.

230 **WINN STREET** was sold to Manny and Rosa Tavares by Shaun Morgan and Lily Mendez-Morgan for $348,000.

-LYNNFIELD-

Median Price: $466,250

38 **FAIRVIEW AVENUE** was sold to Christopher Barrett by Arthur Bourque, Jr. T. and Arthur Bourque III Tr. for $619,000.

14 **HOMESTEAD ROAD** was sold to Seth and Alissa Landau by John Harrington for $551,900.

121 **MAIN STREET** was sold to Donald Cosseboom and Margaret Battista by Lindsay Smith-Barkan for $475,000.

843 **MAIN STREET** was sold to Charles Cassano by Kathleen Barrett for $459,000.

4 **MOWHAWK LANE** was sold to Delight and Robert Corvi by CA and MJ Associates T. and Charles Tierman, Jr. Tr. for $980,000.

31 **PARTRIDGE LANE U:4-2** was sold to Pauline Finberg by John and Susan Driscoll for $420,000.

-NORTH READING-

Median Price: $375,500

28 **CEDAR STREET** was sold to Smith Sons Plumbing and Heating by Janet Roberts for $60,000.

4 **GILLIS DRIVE** was sold to Barbara and Thomas Patch by Janis B. Moriarty and Janis C. Moriarty for $684,000.

44 **MAIN STREET U:15** was sold to Marc and Mac Glinski by Catherine Tewksbury for $167,500.

118 **NORTH STREET** was sold to Sean and Michelle Trainor by Gregory and Maria Gagne for $490,000.

26 **PETER ROAD** was sold to Nicholas and Tanja Gatto by Andrew and Kathryn Castle for $415,000.

1 **PILGRIM ROAD** was sold to PRL Edgewater Place LLC by Melvin Muise and Myda Muise for $470,000.

8 **YANKEE LANE** was sold to Deborah McGuire and Richard McGuire, Jr. by DA Sullivan Rt. and Dennis Sullivan for $860,000.

-READING-

Median Price: $389,450

25 **BAKER ROAD** was sold to Kelliann and Robert Scouler by William Tuscano for $400,000.

6 **CLOVER CIRCLE** was sold to Deborah King and Susan Nicolosi by Louis O'Donoghue for $570,000.

28 **EVERGREEN ROAD** was sold to Diana and Vincent Deiderio by Lawrence and Virginia Willwerth for $325,000.

12 **FOSTER CIRCLE** was sold to Michael Tomasello by H.B. Development Corp. for $669,900.

609 **GAZEBO CIRCLE U:609** was sold to Jennifer Nelson by Adam Liberman for $275,000.

28 **GLEN ROAD** was sold to Anthony and Karen Martignetti by Leo and Katherine Keane for $392,000.

8 **HURLBURT ROAD** was sold to Johna Maggiacomo by William Sellers for $430,000.

75 **JOHN CARVER ROAD** was sold to Ronald Freni by Barbara Mcfadden for $400,000.

99 **JOHN CARVER ROAD** was sold to Christine and Mark Mulvey by Frank and Michele Occhuiti for $490,000.

138 **LOWELL STREET** was sold to Russell and Lori Rodgers by Lowell Street T. and Fiduicary T. Co. for $347,000.

562 **PEARL STREET** was sold to Frank and Michele Occhiuti by David Vaughn and Janan Babb Vaughn for $746,650.

Transfers to S-9

Vaccaro receives award

Dottye Vaccaro, a Broker Associate at RE/MAX Top Achievers, Inc. in Reading, recently received the Women's Council of Realtor's Member of the Year Award for her outstanding leadership. The award was presented at the Kernwood in Lynnfield during the Women's Council of Realtors annual installation.



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Linda Spang and Joanne Selak, an integral part of Dottye's business and performance are part of her successful team.

Dottye Vaccaro has been with RE/MAX Top Achievers, Inc. for eight years and in the real estate industry for 12 years.

Vaccaro has been on the Board of Directors of the Eastern Middlesex Association, the National Association of Realtors, and was a past president for the Women's Council of Realtors (WCR).

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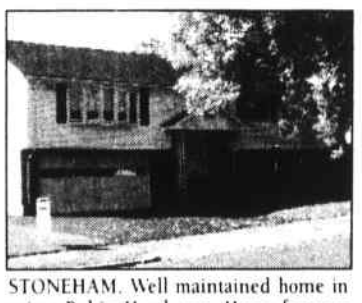
SAUGUS. *New Listing!* Move right into this two family home located on a culde-sac. New kitchens were completed recently. This home features hdwd flrs & separate utilities. It also has an above ground pool & fenced yard. $499,000



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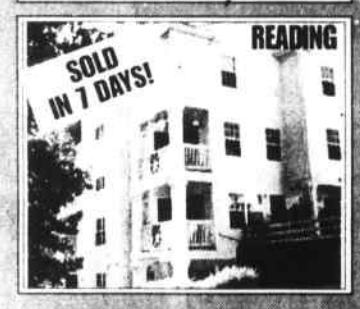
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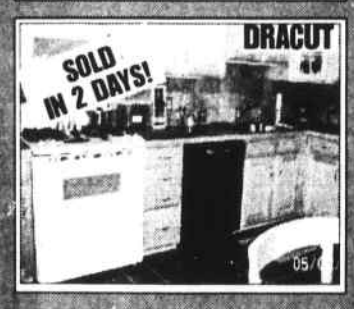
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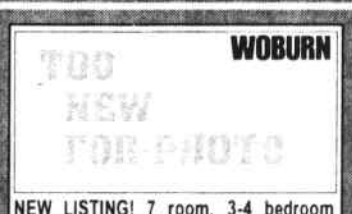
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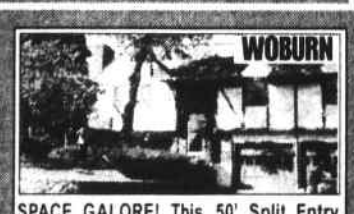
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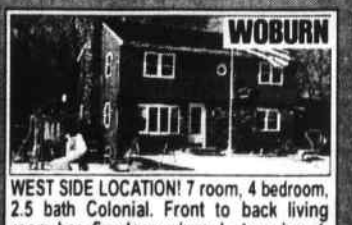
NEW LISTING! 7 room, 3-4 bedroom Colonial, 2 full bath home situated on a quiet one way street. Cherry cabinets in kitchen with ceramic tile floors, updates include roof, windows, fence & deck, 7 yr old 1st floor bath/laundry. A pleasure to view. $339,900 Call (781) 933-4747



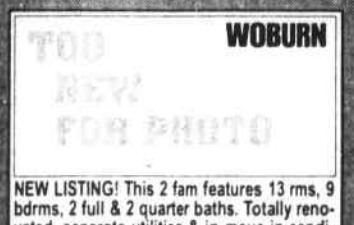
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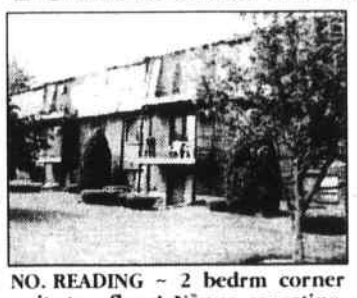
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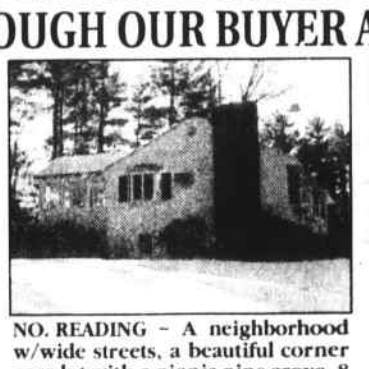
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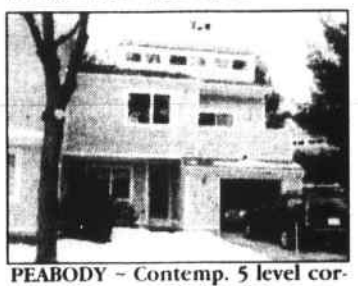
NO. READING ~ A neighborhood w/wide streets, a beautiful corner acre lot with a picnic pine grove, 8 rooms, 2 fplcs & a 2 car garage. $499,900 MLS #30805174



NO. READING ~ Beautiful 1/2 lot in a cul de sac loc. A nice 3 bedroom Ranch ideal for expansion. $409,900 MLS #30805640



ANDOVER ~ *NEW LISTING!* Mini European Estate, 3.28 acres, 6390 GLA, numerous features, call for feature sheet. $1,100,000 MLS#30809228



PEABODY ~ Contemp. 5 level corner unit, garage, 2 fireplaces, new A/C, granite counters. $369,900 MLS #30807462



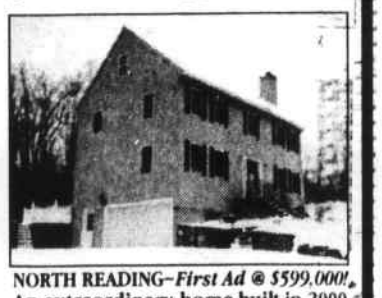
NORTH READING ~ Move in condition, 3 bedroom Cape Cod w/1-1/2 baths, breezeway, garage, nice yard, close to shopping. $339,000



MEDFORD ~ Standard 2 family located on a side street by a great park. Easy commute to Boston & subway. New electric, off street parking. $519,900 MLS #30770967 *Make an offer.*



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Transfers From S-8

11 **RIDGE ROAD** was sold to Linda Egan by Kelliann and Robert Scouler for $344,900.

605 **SUMMER AVENUE U:226** was sold to Marina Doktor by Geraldine and Paul Vozzella for $235,000.

5 **WASHINGTON STREET** was sold to Aimee Dollard and Ryan Hoffman by Michelle Ucci for $169,900.

44 **WINSLOW ROAD** was sold to Richard Miller and Alice Witsell by Doris Steadman for $325,000.

-STONEHAM-

Median Price: $370,000

5 **ALDEN AVENUE** was sold to Cynthia Demarco and Vincenzo Penta by Laura and William Surrette for $470,000.

137 **ELM STREET** was sold to Paul Lydon, Jr. by Robert Campbell for $376,100.

131 **FRANKLIN STREET U:202** was sold to Beth Dagnese and Sean O'Brien by Harold Murphy Tr. and Laura Yavanian for $230,000.

103 **FRANKLIN STREET** was sold to Joanna and Autumn Hurier by Anthony and Gina Spadafora for $321,000.

66 **MAIN STREET U:18A** was sold to Diane and Paul Shaughnessy by Margaret and Paul Shaughnessy for $225,000.

104 **MAIN STREET** was sold to Keith Dissel and Ronald Delucia by Madhal T. and Dale Halchak for $575,000.

588 **MAIN STREET** was sold to Elizabeth McBridge by Franklin Stoneham Group for $199,900.

2 **POMEWORTH STREET** was sold to Deborah Ann Zambello by Robert Venezia for $440,000.

292-294 **WEST WYOMING AVENUE** was sold to Nghia Nguyen by Julian John Dami for $405,000.

-TEWKSBURY-

Median Price: $320,000

60 **ALGONQUIN DRIVE** was sold to Gary and Wendy Ong by Pearl Johnston for $320,000.

81 **ELM STREET** was sold to Jjnc Rt. and Raymong Lepore Tr. by Donna Michaud and Donna Johns for $140,000.

19 **FLOYD AVENUE** was sold to Christian Laquidara by Elizabeth Keenan for $326,000.

133 **HERITAGE LANE** was sold to Maureen and Kevin Henehan by James and Mary Springthorpe for $249,945.

10 **MICHAEL ROAD** was sold to Mustapha Gajjaoui and Aicha Ouchattou by Joseph and Beth Holahan for $320,000.

17 **NEWTON AVENUE** was sold to Frank Gorman, Sr. and Keith Gorman by Dorothy Lavallee for $210,000.

31 **NEWTON TERRACE** was sold to Peter Walther by Jean Thomas and Peter Walther for $337,000.

15 **OXFORD ROAD** was sold to Briand and Joanna Oppedisano by Leslie Carr for $387,500.

167 **PATRICK ROAD U:167** was sold to David and Melissa Kelleher by Paul Beaulieu for $252,500.

1 **REGAN ROAD** was sold to Gail Rowen and Daniel Santos by Clarence and Dawn Cobb for $296,900.

57 **SCOTLAND DRIVE** was sold to Eugene and Shirley Petilli by Dana and Lynn Curry for $608,000.

19 **STONEBURY WAY U:19** was sold to Rosario and Carol Sarca by L&P Prop. LLC for $349,900.

23 **STONEBURY WAY U:23** was sold to John Howland by L&P Prop. LLC for $379,900.

40 **VILLA ROMA DRIVE U:40** was sold to David Salera and Lori Remertson by Carolyn Murray for $269,000.

Transfers to S-10

O'Connor at North Shore

Century 21 North Shore at the Depot is pleased to announce that Beth White O'Connor has recently joined the new sales team at the Reading depot, after for years in Western MA, and completion of her Masters Degree in Counseling.

Beth is a 1970 graduate of Reading High and is very excited about having the opportunity to share her love and knowledge of Reading with others in her capacity as a Realtor.

Beth is the mother of Katie,

O'Connor to S-10

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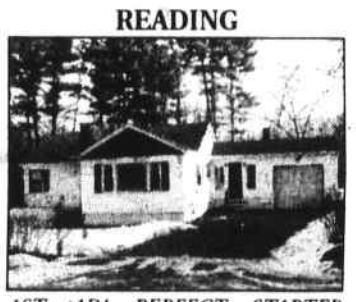
Julie Scott CBR, GRI, SRES

READING



1ST AD! FABULOUS 7+ RM RAISED RANCH in one of Reading's most desirable Westside neighborhoods. Meticulous inside & out. Features include FP living rm, DR, enclosed porch, FR & gar. $469,900 *Call Steve Chuha x223.*

READING



1ST AD! PERFECT STARTER RANCH in great location! 6 rooms, 3 bedrooms, gar, gleaming hardwood floors, replacement windows. Move right in! $354,900 *Call Jan Triglione x274 & www.JanTriglione.com*

WAKEFIELD



1ST AD! WESTSIDE COLONIAL IN MINT CONDITION! This 7 rm, 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath Colonial features newer kit, front to back master, lower level FR, office, screened porch & attached gar. $489,900 *Call Jan Triglione x274 & www.JanTriglione.com*

STONEHAM



1ST AD! MOVE RIGHT INTO this well kept updated Cape w/6 rms, 3 bdrms, 1.5 baths, beautiful hdwd flrs. Convenient to downtown & highways! $379,900 *Call Cathy Stygles x273 & www.CathyStygles.net*

WILMINGTON



1ST AD! 7 ROOM SPLIT ENTRY W/3 bdrms, 1.5 baths, finished Family room w/sliders to back yard. 1 car gar under. hdwd flrs, new windows & new kitchen. Move-in condition! $389,900 *Call Cathy Lawson x226 & www.Cathysells.com*

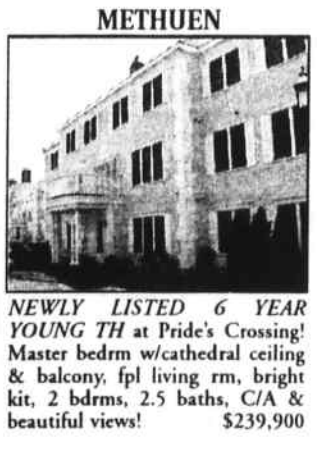
Jan Triglione CBR, CRS, GRI, ITG, SRES

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Marge Falla CBR, GRI

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METHUEN



NEWLY LISTED 6 YEAR YOUNG TH at Pride's Crossing! Master bedrm w/cathedral ceiling & balcony, fpl living rm, bright kit, 2 bdrms, 2.5 baths, C/A & beautiful views! $239,900

READING



GORGEOUS 8 RM, 3 BDRM SPLIT ENTRY includes a new kitchen w/granite counters, 2.5 new baths, central air, alarm, garage & much more. Must be seen! Move in condition!$459,900

EAST BOSTON



A WALK INTO YESTERYEAR IN THIS STATELY 1880's Eagle Hill home currently legal 2 fam. There is just too much orig charm, detail & decor to list. Rare 5K lot & bonus 5 car gar. Great potential in bsmnt & attic w/widow's walk. Extremely well maintained! Call for details. $529,900

LYNNFIELD



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JUST REDUCED!! MOVE RIGHT INTO THIS SPACIOUS 7 rm Country Cape, FP living rm, plus 1st flr fam rm w/wood stove. Well maintained, newer utilities, many extras. Wonderful yard w/hundreds of perennials. New Price! $379,900

WAKEFIELD



CHARM! CHARM! CHARM! Westside Colonial featuring 4 bedrm, 1.5 baths, country kitchen w/fireplace, Florida room, 2 car garage, new roof & electric. $459,900

NORTH READING



SPACIOUS 10 RM, 3 BEDRM, 1.5 BATH Multi-level with flexible flr plan, 1/2 acre lot on dead end. Central air, newer roof, heating, electric. $449,900

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READING



WANT LAND? THIS 7 RM Bungalow sits on a gorgeous 1.29 acre level lot on Reading's west side. Lots of potential here! $499,900

READING



A GREAT VALUE! 3-4 bdrm home on cul-de-sac, open flr plan, HW flrs, FP LR, finished walkout lower level, 3 season porch, garage & gorgeous 1/2 acre yard. $429,900

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NEW PRICE!! 9 RM, 4 BDRM, 2 BATH MULTI-LEVEL COL! 2 yr old oak cabinet kit w/breakfast bar & ceramic tile. Step down from kit to lge FR area w/in-law potential. Replacement windows & farmers porch. $405,000

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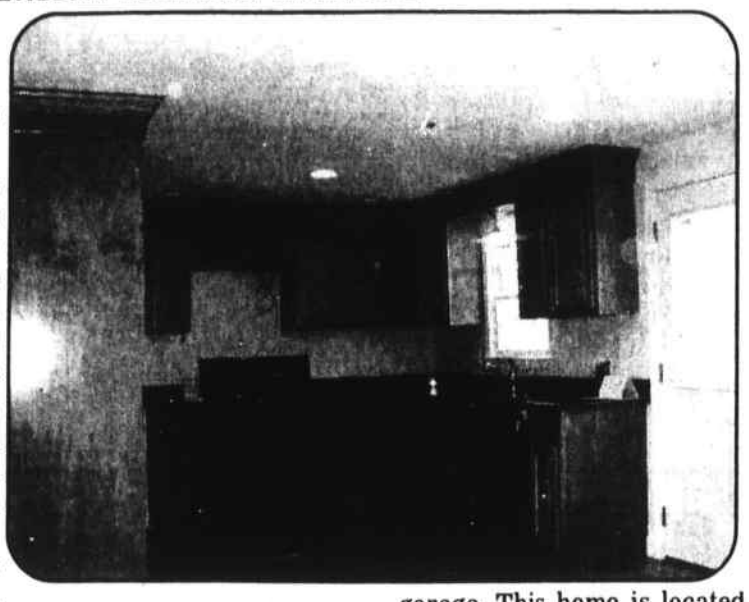
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Sampler

From S-7

ite countertops and a rear door leading to a covered deck.

As you pass through the sun drenched formal living room with a wood burning fireplace and a custom mantle with dental moldings. The first floor being totally remodeled allows for a gracious flow to the floor plan, offering a breakfast area in the kitchen, a formal dining room and a family room in the front of the house with a beautiful bow window.



The newly constructed second floor has added a tremendous amount of square footage to this home. The master bedroom alone is 23 ft. by 14 ft. with a tray ceiling, it's own private full bath and 3 closets, hers, hers and hers. The other three bedrooms are enormous and there is another ceramic tiled full bath located on the second floor.

The basement of this home offers an additional playroom. The laundry has been relocated, conveniently to the main floor half-bath area.

Some other bonus features to this home are maintenance free vinyl siding, Anderson windows, a new heating system, upgraded electrical, and a garage. This home is located only minutes from routes 128 and 93 and from local shopping centers.

This property is currently being offered by Valerie Shaw at Century 21 Spindler and O'Neil in North Reading for $599,900, and can be seen by calling 978-664-2100 or 781-944-2100.

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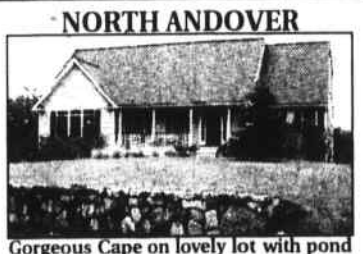
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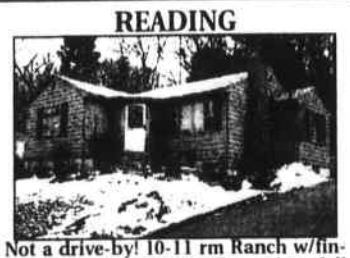
(Sample Photo) Only a few choice homesites remain in the North Shore's most sought after new enclave! This 76 home, 140 acre site offers community pool and park. The homes (such as the Kensington pictured above) offer picturesque styling, wonderful amenities & superb quality! There will never be another MacIntyre Crossing. *Call Today!* *From $950,000*

NORTH ANDOVER



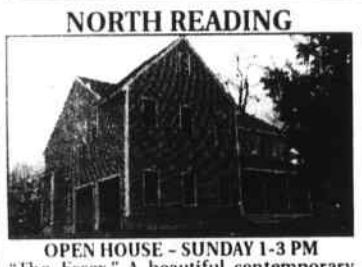
Gorgeous Cape on lovely lot with pond on elegant small circle! Features include: 1st floor master bedroom suite, oversized cathedral ceiling family room with old brick fireplace, cathedral ceiling and wainscoting dining room and much more. *$584,900*

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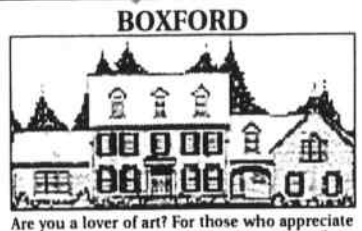
Not a drive-by! 10-11 rm Ranch w/finished lower level! Hdwd flrs, redone full bath & kitchen, tile on 1st flr 2nd kit, LR, full bath, 2 bdrms & office in lower level. House is in great condition & close to schools. *$429,900*

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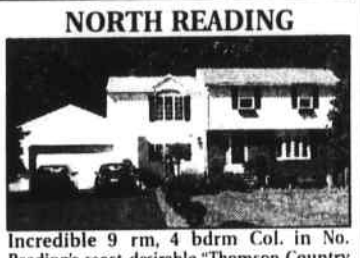
OPEN HOUSE – SUNDAY 1-3 PM
"The Essex." A beautiful contemporary colonial w/farmer's porch offers a gorgeous first flr open kitchen & family rm, perfect for entertaining. The second flr offers two generous bedrms along with an office & fantastic master bedrm suite which includes two walk-in closets. *Lowell / Lot 3, Shirley Ave.* *$649,900*

BOXFORD



Are you a lover of art? For those who appreciate nature's seasonal views from this tranquil 6+ acre private estate setting of rolling wooded hills nestled in acres & acres of conservation. Combine that with the superior craftsmanship of Habitech Inc. this home features dram foyer w/curved staircase, gour kit w/cust cab & gran countertops, MBR suite w/sep sitting or exercise rm & opulent bath & detailed archit details. Still time for your own personal touches. *Starting at $1,360,000*

NORTH READING



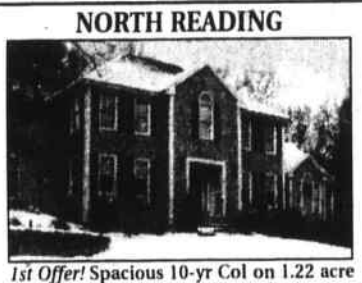
Incredible 9 rm, 4 bdrm Col. in No. Reading's most desirable "Thomson Country Club" cul-de-sac! Features 2 fpl, 2 sliders leading to patio, beautiful level lot w/in-ground pool, lge eat-in kit, 1st flr fam rm/din rm, fin lower level w/full bath & much more. Updated heat, stove, dishwasher, baths & septic. *$539,000*

GEORGETOWN



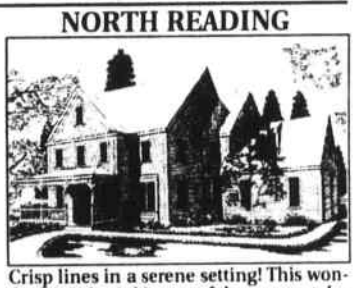
Beautiful new Colonial on lovely street of fine homes! Contemporary style w/open foyer boasts gas heat, central air, central vacuum, hdwd flrs, Corian counters & maple kitchen w/built-ins, 2 fpl & 2 car gar. Still time for selections. *$618,000*

NORTH READING



1st Offer! Spacious 10-yr Col on 1.22 acre wooded lot & within walking distance to E.Ethel Little School. 4 lg bdrms, incl huge master bdrm (19x13). Entertain guests or relax by the fire in the oversized)24x18) fam rm. Plenty of rm to entertain, indrs or out. Hdwd flrs, lge deck, sprinkler system & beautiful landscaping are a few of the features that make this home a must see ... *$679,900*

NORTH READING



Crisp lines in a serene setting! This wonderful Colonial is one of the many styles offered on 2 magnificent multi acre lots by Habitech! The amenities of fables "MacIntyre Crossing" and a fantastic North Reading location! A superb value! *From $800's*

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Rick Loughlin, president of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Central New England, was honored to present Melrose resident Carolyn Las-



Carolyne Lassiter

siter, of the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Stoneham office, with the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage International Diamond Society award.

The award recognizes those sales associates for their listing and selling excellence in 2003.

Carolyn accepted the award during the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage 2003 Awards Celebration that was held at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston. More than 1,500 sales associates, managers and staff attended the annual event. The theme of this year's celebration, "Beyond Perseverance," emphasizes the sales associates' ongoing commitment to ensure a smooth and convenient homeownership experience for their customers and clients utilizing the tools and services of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage.

Carolyn is a member of the National Association of Realtors, the Massachusetts Association of Realtors, as well as, The Greater Boston Board of Realtors and the Multiple Listing Service. She is also President of the Stoneham Rotary Club, a member of the Stoneham Chamber of Commerce and a trustee for the Massachusetts Association of the Blind.

O'Connor

From S-9

a 1997 graduate of Reading and Babson College and a Marketing Executive with the Lego Corporation. Her daughter



Beth O'Connor

Karen, a graduate of Phillips Andover and Bentley College, is married and presently employed as a Computer Engineer with Fidelity in Boston.

Beth looks forward to hearing from old friends and neighbors and would love the opportunity to help folks with all their real estate needs.

Beth can be reached at 781-942-2199

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Transfers from S-9

-WAKEFIELD-

Median Price: $375,800

7 CEDAR STREET was sold to Richard Collins by Paul and Anne Lucey for $349,900.

90 CHESTNUT STREET was sold to Sean and Catherine Bermingham by David and Marianne Heffernan for $425,000.

46 ELM STREET was sold to David Whitman and Jennifer Silver by Brian Louis Tamowski and Deborah Lynn Tamowski for $415,000.

69 EUNICE CIRCLE was sold to David and Marianne Heffernan by Philip and Arlene Porter for $392,000.

5 LINDEN STREET was sold to Michael Salvati by Arnold Salvati and Linda Egan for $240,000.

639 MAIN STREET was sold to 639 Main Street Rt. and John Eleftherakis by North Ave Auto Sales Inc. and John Galante for $550,000.

731 MAIN STREET was sold to Edward and Patricia Doucette by Anna and John Mele for $260,000.

1098 MAIN STREET was sold to Frederico Moscaritolo and Janet McGuire by Alfred Costanza and Frederico Moscaritolo for $365,000.

134 NAHANT STREET was sold to Kevin Stanley and Mark Roberto by Dianne and Kevin Stanley for $160,000.

129 NEW SALEM STREET was sold to Mercy Alepidis by Allison and Patrick McGonagle for $366,000.

178 PROSPECT STREET was sold to Nabi and Rose Boghos by Mary Fielding and Maureen Lane for $350,000.

274 VERNON STREET was sold to Mayra Araya by Anne Bower and Margaret Mary Bower for $420,000.

-WILMINGTON-

Median Price: $344,000

18 BROAD STREET was sold to Sta Rt. by Carol Bellamy for $160,000.

3 EMERALD AVENUE was sold to Gene and Rebecca Beraldi by Andrew Swiecki and Rebecca Beraldi for $489,000

40 HOBSON AVENUE was sold to Jerry Berg by Hobson Rt. and Donna Lagomarsino Tr. for $282,500.

MARION STREET EXTENSION L:MULTI was sold to Middlesex Equity T. and John Phillips Tr. by Ashley Development LLC for $13,000.

10 NASSAU AVENUE was sold to Kevin Keyo and Andrea Botticelli by Scott Conti and Jill Pickering for $372,500.

22 NICKERSON AVENUE was sold to Kathleen Andre by Christopher Gray for $222,000.

785 WOBURN STREET was sold to Kevin and Robert Palmer by Gatta Ft. and Robert E. Jr. Curtis Tr. for $425,000.

-WINCHESTER-

Median Price: $669,000

26 CLEMATIS STREET was sold to Ben Rogan by Eleanor Comeau and James Nelligan for $340,000.

390 CROSS STREET was sold to John Riccio by Bart LLC for $350,000.

18 EDWARD DRIVE U:18 was sold to Randd Nuseibeh and Sami Shalabi by Subhash and Suraj Bowry for $445,000.

35 HARVARD STREET was sold to Anthony and Brendan Burke by Lucy Kirby for $350,000.

96 LORING AVENUE was sold to Stephen Roscillo by Joseph and Saverio Roscillo for $290,000.

28 NORTH BORDER ROAD was sold to Cynthia Micale and

Transfers to S-11

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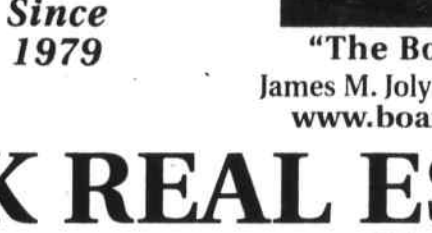
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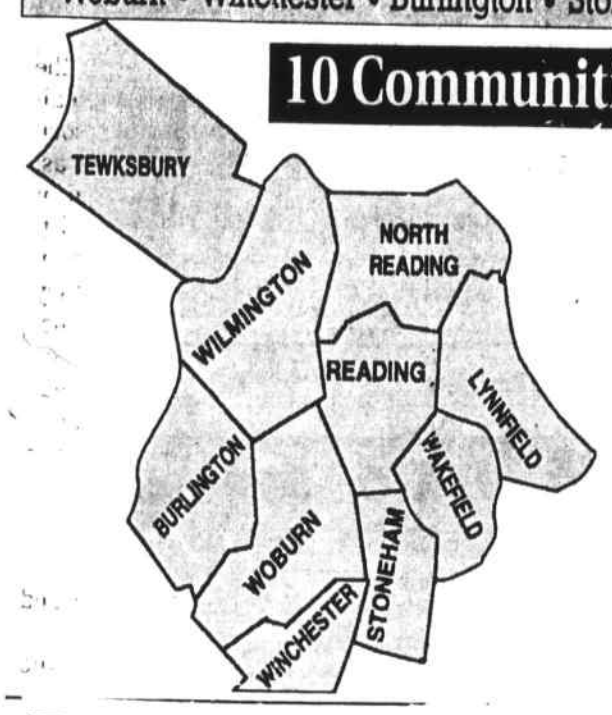
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Cynthia Perreault-Micale by Albert Rotondi Jr. RET and Albert Rotondi Jr. for $663,500.

11 PRINCE AVENUE was sold to Kristine Lacey by John and Marie Lacey for $200,000.

21 SAWMILL BROOK ROAD was sold to David and Candace Bonopane by Ernest and Barbara Hickin for $7,621.

200 SWANTON STREET U:T22 was sold to John Zanis by Januth Kei Hayashi and Peter Strickland for $149,900.

-WOBURN-

Median Price: $331,000

11 BORDER STREET was sold to Christina and Robert Riley by Maureen and William Carney for $345,000.

293 CAMBRIDGE ROAD was sold to Motiva Enterprises LLC by Shell Oil Company for $605,000.

293 CAMBRIDGE ROAD was sold to Cambridge Road Rt. and Bassam Saliba by Motiva Enterprises LLC for $565,000.

3 CATHERINE CIRCLE L:2 was sold to Diane Cote and Samantha Turner by 15 Burlington Street Rt. and Penny Scire for $549,900.

5 DRAPER STREET was sold to 9 Draper Street Rt. and Guy Fodera by 5 Draper Street Rt. and Alan Melkonian for $1,725,000.

49 EATON STREET was sold to Edward Capone by Patricia and Thomas Robitalle for $499,900.

55 GREEN STREET was sold to Lorinda McCabe by Edward McCabe for $237,500.

12 GREEN STREET was sold to John Curtis Artz, Jr. and Laura Artz by Coventry Builders LLC for $353,320.

1001 MAIN STREET U:23 was sold to Dominic Fazio by Usman Boateng for $170,000.

16 MAYWOOD TERRACE was sold to Jeffrey Carreau and Krista O'Doherty by Johnna and Richard Olson for $328,000.

80 NORTH WARREN STREET U:5 was sold to Manuel Ferdinandus by James Burns and Flore Burns Tr. for $159,900.

108 PLEASANT STREET was sold to Maria Pougaridis by Christina Chang-Riley by Robert Emmet Riley for $259,500.

62 PROSPECT STREET was sold to Erin Warren by Michelle and Stephen Chumsae for $375,000.

14 VINE BROOK WAY was sold to Mark and Patricia Hughes by Tomaryn Rt. and J. Thomas Devaney for $489,900.

257 WASHINGTON STREET was sold to John McTighe by Barbara Daley and Helen Phalon for $308,000.

59 WAVERLY ROAD was sold to Jason Williams and Mary Mohla by Timothy Muller for $270,000.

10 WYMAN STREET was sold to Ronald Reposa by Gladys Kean for $367,000.

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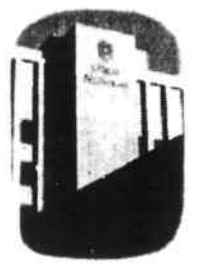
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Lawmakers asked to fix health care

In a letter to House and Senate leaders, the state's largest small-business advocacy group, NFIB, urged lawmakers to pass several legislative proposals that will provide more health care choices and encourages market solutions to affordability problems.

According to NFIB and Massachusetts State Director Bill Vernon, annual double-digit percentage increases in the cost of health insurance premiums and new health care mandates have caused some employers to and moderate income employees to drop expensive coverage.

"More than half our state's uninsured population already works at small businesses," Vernon said.

"To reduce the number of uninsured and to relive the fiscal pressure on state programs like Mass Health and the uncompensated care pool, it is past time to address th cost of health insurance for the small business community that is so prevalent and economically significant in the Commonwealth."

better cope with health care costs and options.

"First, the state should allow the self employed an immediate and total deduction for the health insurance premiums on their individual state income tax forms.

"About half of the state's small businesses pay income taxes as individuals and therefore do not currently receive tax deductions for premiums available to corporations. This change would level the playing field and give sole proprietors a five percent reduction in health care costs.

"Secondly, the creation of Association Health Plans would allow small businesses to band together in existing groups to bargain for and purchase health insurance.

"Under the current small-group insurance law, small businesses have no bargaining powers, and as a result, pay significantly more for health care for themselves and their employees than large corporations.

"State Association Health Plans would institute competition in the small-group market in Massachusetts and constitute a first step toward much needed reform.

"Finally, reforming medical malpractice laws would lower the cost of quality health care for all employers and employees, while protecting the rights of legitimately injured patients.

"The proposed health care providers' responsibilities reduce defensive medicine and eliminate frivolous lawsuits.

"The current health care crisis is principally a crisis of affordability rather than a crisis of accessibility or quality of care," Vernon said.

He concluded, "These health care cost control initiatives will increase consumer choice and flexibility, stabilize prices in the health care market and encourage small business owners to invest in the new jobs our state needs."

Health & Medicine — Check M.E. Out

School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

Assessing the situation: Lynnfield

"In the second year of a three-year curriculum review, building principals have focused on the types of assessment used," notes the "Lynnfield Villager."

"The goal of this review is to better link the curriculum to assessment and instruction.

"Assessment practices at the high school have the most variety and depth. Principal Robert Hassett explained the nine different assessments and why they are effective to the School Committee.

"The nine areas of assessment are writing, tests and quizzes, mid-term and final exams, homework, note books, lab reports, projects, oral presentations and research papers.

"Writing assessments are used throughout the courses and is the core of the English Department. Writing examples include essays, short answers and open response questions. Students in the ninth and tenth grade are prepared for assignments on the MCAS and now on the SAT.

"Tests and quizzes are used in all areas on a daily basis. They are used at the end of a unit or throughout the unit to assess the students' understanding of a topic.

"Mid-term exams and final exams are also used in all subject areas. These high stake tests also prepare students for MCAS, SAT and AP tests.

"Homework is assigned in all courses, but remains the least popular according to Hassett. Students are assigned homework on a nightly basis and it is part of the student's final grade.

"Notebooks are also used in all courses. Students have their notebooks graded and they are required for all courses.

"Oral presentations are also required in all courses. These presentations also provide public speaking skills to the students.

"Projects are used mostly in art, photography or design courses. This assessment allows students to display their artistic work.

"The research paper is a graduation requirement. The paper is written in the students' junior English class. The paper is a 2000 word document which prepares the students for most college assignments.

"'I am impressed by the variety of assessments offered,' Superintendent Dr. Richard Palermo said..."

On the road: Winchester

"Recently the School Committee unanimously approved three high school foreign trips to Italy, France and Germany," notes the Winchester edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The trip to Italy, unlike the other two, is not part of an exchange program but a tour trip during the April break, explained Roseann Innes, Italian teacher.

"'They [students] don't miss any school,' Innes said. Only senior students studying Italian can make this trip that lasts eight days and takes them to Venice, Florence, Rome and Assisi.

"'We've been doing it for twenty years and it was only cancelled once,' Innes said. For the last two years, however, the trip was not done because of the world situation. Despite the world changes, Innes said, 'we have to move on.'

"Though parents and students need to know that there might be changes if anything happens, she added. Because it is not an exchange program and only a tour trip, there are no scholarships available, Innes said. Almost all the seven students going on the trip this year are siblings of other students that have gone on this trip before and they start saving early on, according to Innes.

"The French trip is part of an exchange program with a sister school in St. Germain-en-Laye, 30 minutes outside of Paris. St. Germain has been a sister city of Winchester's for more than a decade.

"Joyce Anderson, French teacher, said the French group did not have any chaperones this year so they will be visiting Winchester in 2005. This is the third year the school has gone on this trip, Anderson said.

"This year the trip will be shorter than the usual nine days because French students end their vacation at the end of April. Since the purpose of the trip is that the Winchester students attend classes in France, it makes no sense to go earlier. But then, students have to return only a few days after because the AP French exam is scheduled for May 4.

"Committee member Kathleen Bodie was concerned that the students would not be able to recover from the jet lag to take the exam. But Anderson said that was the only choice. In addition, she hopes that the daily exposure to French during the trip will help the students succeed in the exam...."

Saying goodbye: Woburn

"School Committee member Mark Cain spent much of his last committee meeting as he had spent countless others, reiterating the rationale and procedures of the School Department's transportation policy and taking the brunt of criticism for it," notes the Woburn edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Despite that difficult task, Cain went out on a positive note, taking a moment to speak to his fellow committee members, administrators and the public at large.

"'The past few years have been very enjoyable for me,' he said, 'the time has gone by very quickly.'

"He noted appreciation for the Mayor's Office, Police Department and Department of Public Works for banding together to work to solve problems and challenges for the school system and its students.

"He closed by thanking the administration and fellow School Committee members, noting he would remain a supporter of their efforts to help shape the best school system possible...."

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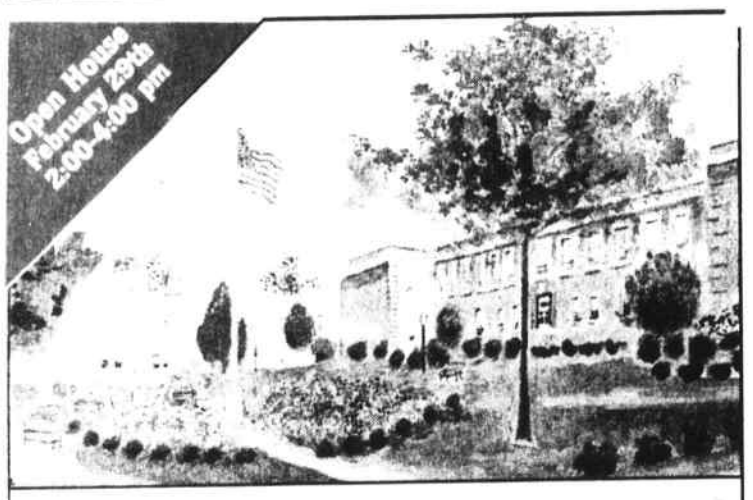
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